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## Book Sparks Climate Think Tank

By Marilou Newell

Mattapoisett Library Director Jennifer Jones has found a way to not only give local residents a platform to discuss climate-change issues but useful, easy-to-understand information on various aspects of the topic.

As Jones recently shared, "In January 2021, I applied for a grant from the Richard & Ann J. Prouty Foundation, Bank of America, N.A., Co-Trustee, to fund a sustainability initiative for the library. We were awarded funding in May." Currently, she said, the library is acquiring materials, along with hosting programs through April. One important initiative the library has begun is to encourage recycling which also runs through April.

As a resource material, Jones said, "I looked for a title that would be a good book for a community-wide discussion, and upon finding 'Regeneration Ending the Climate Crisis in One Generation' by Paul Hawken, I thought it would be suitable because climate change is an important topic of interest for this area."



**On the Cover:** Rochester Fire Lieutenant Kevin Richard, center, and Fire Chief Scott Weigel, right, talk with Jim Wiksten of RYCO Excavation before Monday morning's departure of the town's surplus tanker truck on a 1,229-mile journey to Cayce, Kentucky. The small community in the nation's heartland was devastated by a December 10 tornado, and its fire department was demolished as a result. Having recently replaced the aged tanker truck, the Town of Rochester got word and made repairs to the inactive machine so it could be donated to the Cayce Fire Department. Photos by Ryan Feeney

Jones said she contacted the creators of the website for the book. The result was Jones was able to purchase and distribute (at no cost to interested parties) copies of the book now being used to jumpstart local discussion and possibly even inspire local solutions.

"I figured there would be some in the community who would be very interested in climate change and sustainability," she said, admitting that the pandemic has made communication a bit more problematic. By hosting virtual gatherings, people have been able to come together and share their thoughts and ideas.

On January 8, Jones held a remote meeting. Focusing on various chapters in the book which range from sea-forestation to the sustainability of various types of forests, from human impacts on the planet to energy use and alternative sources, the group tackled food production and the food industry.

Jones began the discussion by stating that "big food" (a term used for processed-food production and factory farms) contributes 9 percent of methane immersions globally. A shockingly high number, all

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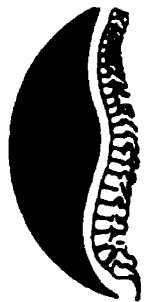
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agreed.

The group talked about waste in the food industry with several participants saying their work at food pantries where businesses donate vast amounts of food is an example of over-production and fear of expiration dates. They were alarmed to consider the amount of food that is merely thrown away. Jones said that the library is collecting non-perishable food in lieu of fine payments through the end of January, one small step in assisting food distribution to those in need.

Others in the Zoom meeting thought that a community garden might be useful in helping people who cannot easily travel to the grocery store to get fresh vegetables during the growing season. This led to questions on the possible use of space at the now town-owned Holy Ghost grounds located off Park Street. Nathan Ketchel, a member of the Planning Board and of the Master Plan Committee, said that during their discussions a community garden was suggested as well.

As they continued to drill more deeply into topics, there came a point where most agreed that politics and pressure on congressional and House of Representatives leaders stymied efforts to find new ways to produce and distribute food. When Jones asked if there were ways that local people could impact policymakers, one participant asserted that politicians are "owned" by lobbyists. It was noted that the For The People Act, first introduced by John Sarbanes in 2019, sought to expand voting rights, change campaign finance laws and create new ethics rules.

The group continued in this vein, discussing local politics and the lack of public interest or input in such matters as zoning bylaws and the efforts on the part of the League of Women Voters to engage the public in government issues that impact local communities.

"People need to understand what it is to be a citizen," one participant implored. There were other thoughts and questions regarding the planet's ability to sustain life, given the growing numbers of humans from approximately 374,000,000 in the 1500s to nearly 8,000,000,000 in 2021.

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"I hope that this group will continue on discussing the topic and bringing awareness to it throughout Mattapoisett, whether it is at the library or as an independent group," said Jones, who said she has a program, "Native Plant Gardening for Wildlife," scheduled with Joy Marzano in February. "I am working on more ideas using grant funds, hopefully in partnership with local groups. That was one of the major points of the initiative, which we titled 'Start Locally, Live Sustainably.'"

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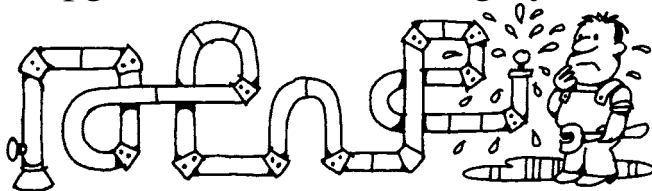
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## TTAR Focused on Middle

**By Mick Colageo**

In addressing Tuesday night's Tri-Town Against Racism virtual Town Hall Meeting, Jason Chisholm told Zoom attendees, "We're very aware of those individuals who are against what we're trying to do. We're also aware of those who stand beside us. ... I want to focus energy on the group in the middle, not with us and not against us, standing on the sideline and contemplating where they're going to land."

For nearly two years, the grassroots organization has been on a mission to affect change via diplomatic policies such as "meet people where they are" and "educate," and the journey has not always been smooth.

The incident of vandalism last month in Mattapoisett, where the Little Free Diverse Library at Ned's Point was heavily damaged and its contents destroyed became an occasion symbolic of the question many have been asked over the past two years as to where they stand.

In expanding upon his statement about focus, Chisholm, the group's executive director, alluded to author Brene Brown's analogy differentiating between empathy and allyship. Empathy, he relayed, is where a person seeing someone stuck in the hole says, "I feel bad that you're in that hole." Allyship, seeing someone stuck in the hole, climbs into the hole with them and says, "Hey, we're going to figure out how to get out together."

Alison Noyce, the vice president of Tri-Town Against Racism, said the organization believes in allyship for all. "We want to make all people feel like they're included and they belong," she said.

Noyce was one of the ground-floor parents who, amidst sharing her stories with other parents on social media, was compelled to help organize as a group and seek solutions in a group setting with the emotional and intellectual benefit of like-minded support.

"At that point we didn't all know each other, but we all knew we had to do something," said member Jenn Hunter, who serves as treasurer.

The Town Hall fielded approximately 10 pre-submitted questions, different members compelled to

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In addressing a question about the vandalism at the Little Free Diverse Library, Tri-Town Against Racism President Tangi Thomas found a silver lining. "We found out how much people care about our Little Diverse Library," she said, talking about how much she enjoys going to the post office and seeing the new book arrivals that are earmarked for the Little Free Diverse Library.

Rhonda Baptiste, one of the organization's many directors who originally was involved by supporting her son Kelcey Robertson's effort to supply school libraries with books reflecting racial diversity, fielded the question, "How can parents talk to their kids about racism?"

"Racism is treating people unfairly or unkindly. An ally is a friend who stands up for a friend if they're being treated unfairly or unkindly," said Baptiste, who believes the key to teaching empathy is to teach children to look outside of themselves. "Stories are one of the best ways. When we read, what we do is we put ourselves in the shoes of the person in the story."

Baptiste encouraged listeners to create a culture in their house and family of kindness and compassion and to take steps to acknowledge and reward such behavior "because, if it's a priority for you, it'll be priority for them. ... Let your kids see that you care because if you care, they're going to care."

Several other questions were tackled, and Noyce was excited to discuss local partnerships with the Marion Art Center, Mattapoisett Museum and Sippican Lands Trust.

More activities are planned for 2022, and members hope some of them can be held in person. It was noted by Noyce that the emergence of Tri-Town Against Racism and its ongoing work have been accomplished entirely during the coronavirus pandemic.



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"This is a standing invitation, please spread the word," said Chisholm in concluding the meeting.

He invited interested people to learn more about Tri-Town Against Racism on the organization's Facebook and Instagram pages.

### Court Rules in Favor of Inn, ZBA

By Mick Colageo and Marilou Newell

The Massachusetts Superior Court has ruled in favor of codefendants Nils Johnson/Vintage 13 LLC and the Mattapoisett Zoning Board of Appeals in a two-action civil suit brought by plaintiffs George and Maureen Butler.

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"I have to find a contractor who isn't too busy to bid the job," said Johnson, noting that the Inn's porch was an afterthought built in the 1970s and never meant to last for decades. Johnson took control of the Inn in 2012 and after leasing the property for less than two years, bought it.

The ZBA's decision granting a special permit includes a 3-foot increase in the building's overall footprint to, as Johnson put it, "give people a little more space and making it safer for all."

Improvements, repairs and renovations will also include the second-story balcony space to "give the building more curb appeal and more accessibility to everyone," said Johnson, who cited years of unrelenting weather making the planned repairs more urgent. In 2018, he added a rear vestibule at a cost of \$16,000 meant to mitigate sound from live music.

"We're obviously disappointed with the result," said attorney James Rosenblum of Brewster-based Senie & Associates, the Butlers' representative, in an email to The Wanderer. "We felt we did a good job of getting evidence before the court that the sounds from the Inn are a lot more disturbing than they were in the 1960s era of Irving Bookstein.

"We believe that the operations of the Inn have both exceeded their bounds as a prior nonconforming use and have constituted a nuisance, and we're disappointed that the court did not find that. We have no comment on any appeal or posttrial motions at this time; we are still reviewing the decision."

The first civil action taken by the Butlers challenged the ZBA's decision to award a special permit for repair and expansion of the Inn's front porch.

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Mattapoisett's zoning bylaws that would have prohibited Johnson from operating the Inn as a nightclub to reduce maximum occupancy and to eliminate "obnoxious" noise. The civil suit also alleged that the Inn is a nuisance.

A total of 23 witnesses and 47 exhibits were brought into the case.

"Obviously it was nice to see that the town's decision was upheld, that the ZBA was doing the right thing," said Mattapoisett Town Administrator Mike Lorenzo, who noted that the court pointed out that the Inn's purpose has not changed in many years. "Now the Inn can make the needed improvements and continue to be the center of the village that people can enjoy – it's a landmark."

Courts findings included information indicating that in Johnson's ownership / management era, the Inn makes less noise and closes earlier than it had during the prior two owners' eras. After tensions between the parties escalated in 2015, the Butlers hired Jeffrey Kornrower, a sound engineer, to measure the noise level coming from the Inn and made complaints about specific performers.

The Inn did not play live music between the onset of the coronavirus pandemic and the trial.

While an appeal remains possible, Lorenzo hopes that in 2022 everyone will be good citizens working together amicably. "The town never wants to get in the middle of a dispute," he said.

Lorenzo thanked former Director of Inspectional Services Andy Bobola for the years he worked on the case and former Police Chief Mary Lyons, whose department was often called upon to answer complaint calls during the dispute.

The Butlers declined comment at this time.

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### Select Board Seeks One to Fill Two Positions

*Mattapoisett Select Board*

**By Marilou Newell**

The Mattapoisett Select Board spent the better part of its January 11 meeting discussing vacancies that have remained open for many months – a conservation

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Coming before the board were Janice Robbins and Nathan Ketchel of the Planning Board and Mike King and David Lawrence of the Conservation Commission.

Town Administrator Mike Lorenco began the discussion saying that a part-time planner position had been offered but the applicant later withdrew acceptance. He said the concept of combining two part-time positions to create what is hoped to be a more attractive full-time offering was on the table.

Speaking on behalf of the Planning Board, Robbins said, "I have mixed feelings about a combined position." She then went on to describe the difficulties the board had been experiencing even when a part-



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time planner had been on board. Robbins said that such projects as review and updating of zoning bylaws, review and updating of subdivision rules and regulations, seeking grants, and Master Plan development were all complex projects.

"No one working part-time can do all of that," said Robbins, who believes expanding the position to full time is needed. "We need a true planner." She said that now with former Town Administrator Mike Gagne no longer assisting the board, "we can't maintain the status quo."

Ketchel added his voice, saying, "I'm working about 10 hours a week using my personal time." He said that in order to get minutes up to date, he'd have to watch months of video tapes.

King was asked to share his thoughts on a shared, full-time staff employee. He said that the commission elected to bring in an environmental consultant whose work would be paid by applicants filing for permits. He confirmed that during the first three months there were a number of projects that needed a fair amount of clerical housekeeping, but that now things are working well.

King suggested to the board that they take budgeted sums for a part-time agent and use them towards the hiring of a full-time planner. On more than one occasion he impressed upon the board how well things were working out for the town and the commission with a consulting agent.

The board felt that a consultant was a short-term fix, that the town needs its own personnel handling conservation matters. But all agreed that filling part-time positions would continue to be a challenge, hence the concept of a 50-50 combination is something they wish to pursue.

Collyer said, "We owe it to the taxpayer to try a combined role, it is long overdue." He also asked Robbins and Ketchel to submit exactly the types of clerical assistance they need so that such assistance might be made available with current town hall staffing.

In further discussion of the issue, Select Board member Tyler Macallister said that the vision is to have a director of Inspectional Services, a code-enforcement official that would work with the combined planner/agent. He said that having a hired consultant was "not the way it's supposed to work." Lawrence spoke up, saying, "But we don't need help." Macallister responded, "No, you do need help, the consultant is not the solution."

The board moved to advertise the combined position.

The board also met with architect Stephen Kelleher and Highway Surveyor Garrett Bauer to discuss the status of plans for repairs and renovation for the Highway Department barn. Kelleher said that the project had been on hold for some months after coming in over budget. He said the plan, which was first conceived in 2018, was for a three-phase construction approach. Kelleher said that construction costs have soared,





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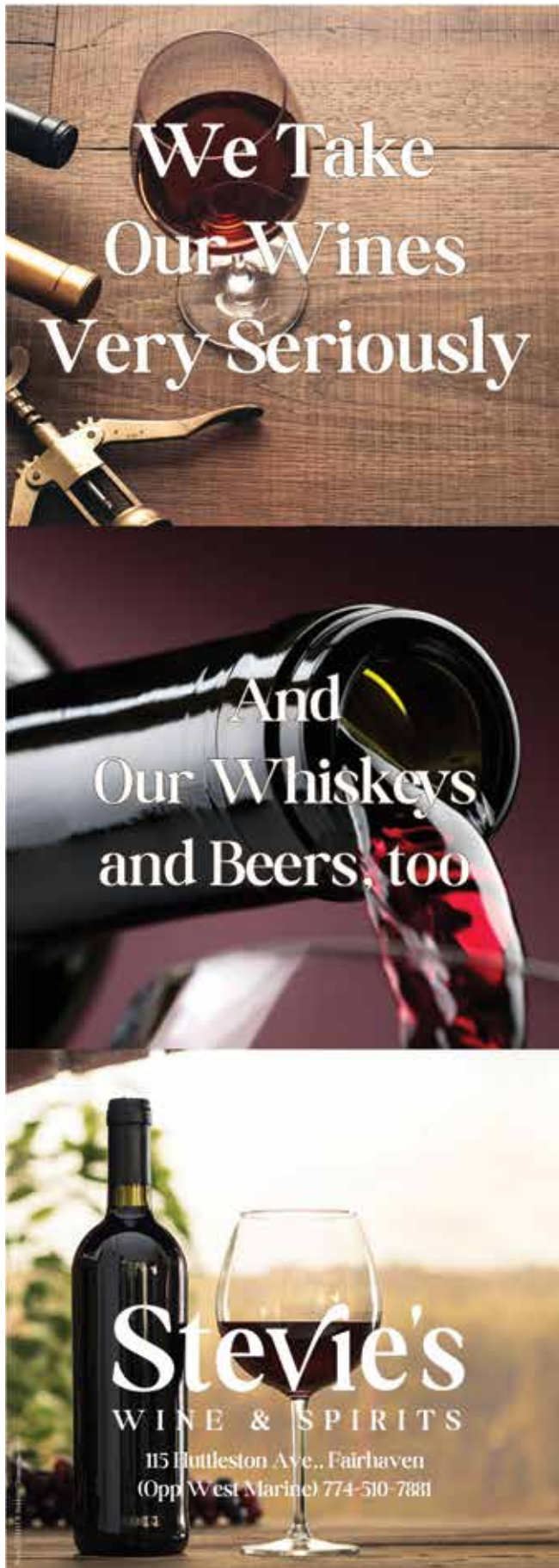


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estimating the project now somewhere around \$2,000,000.

Both Kelleher and Baur asked the board to consider a single phase of construction with a seven-month construction period to get the work done.

Lorenco said that various Town Meeting articles have been passed, appropriating money for needed work on the highway barn. He was asked to research funding sources while Kelleher was asked to prepare plans for bidding purposes. Collyer said that possibly a combination of free cash and bonds would make it possible to get the repairs completed.

The board awarded a design contract to Childs Engineering of Bellingham for Long Wharf. The board, along with Harbormaster Jamie McIntosh and Chairman of the Marine Advisory Board Carlos DeSousa, were in agreement that Childs is the best pick for this preliminary phase of design work. The estimated cost for Childs Engineering is \$257,477.

Earlier in the proceedings, the board met with Attorney Matthew Thomas to discuss the final agreement between landowners and easements needed by the town along Acushnet Road. Such easements were needed during the construction of a new culvert across Acushnet Road. Four agreements covering three properties ranged from \$216 to \$1,332 for 164, 169 and 174 Acushnet Road.

The board also met with Ray Andrews regarding noise complaints that have been lodged against groups renting the American Legion Hall located on Depot Street. Andrews said he met with members of the group who were asked to leave the residential neighborhood immediately after the closing of meetings versus congregating outside the building and that smoking on the grounds is not permitted. He said that follow-up meetings with the residents and the groups found matters resolved. The board thanked him for his time and attention in the matter.

The next meeting of the Mattapoisett Select Board is scheduled for Tuesday, January 25, at 6:30 pm.

## **Abutter Concerned over Neighbor's Addition**

*Mattapoisett Conservation Commission*

**By Marilou Newell**

The January 10 meeting of the Mattapoisett Conservation Commission found two local business owners in polite disagreement over a proposal for the construction of a storage garage.

Grace Knox, owner of DG Service Company came before the commission with a Notice of Intent filing for the construction of a storage garage at her place of business located at 23 County Road.

Representing Knox, Ken Motta of Field Engineering explained in detail that the project would have no impact on abutting properties with respect to natural or manmade drainage features. He said that a longstanding mound of disturbed ground would be removed, leaving a short berm-like structure on one side



to ensure water flow would not impact the neighboring parking area of Sandra Dawson's real estate office.


After Motta concluded his presentation, Dawson rose to present concerns centering around current water-flow issues that she said were created when Knox built an addition and a potential for increased drainage onto her property should the garage be built.

Motta addressed Dawson's concerns, but Dawson wanted assurances that the proposed construction wouldn't create more issues on her property. Motta presented photographic evidence that, prior to the addition, Dawson's property experienced historic water issues and that, in fact, drainage features on Knox's property was helping improve matters on Dawson's property.


Motta said that water on Dawson's property was not coming from Knox's side but from Dawson's own land. "None of the runoff from Grace's property will go on your property," he said.

Chairman Mike King added, "This is a pretty low-impact project." He said water was flowing in a southwesterly direction in what he described as a "sheet flow." He said he had made two site visits and that Dawson has the right to appeal the commission's decision. "You can appeal to the DEP, but if they give a superseding order of conditions you'll be dealing with the state, not the local commission."

The NOI received an order of conditions



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including a special condition for an operation and maintenance plan for the drainage system.

The commission issued a Negative Determination of Applicability to Pedro Yae De Leon, 151 Fairhaven Road, for the abandonment of an existing cesspool and connection to the public sewer system.

Also receiving a negative decision for a filed RDA was a request for the construction of a timber trellis over an existing patio owned by James and Dale Barnes, 69 Mattapoisett Neck Road.

The next meeting of the Mattapoisett Conservation Commission is scheduled for Monday, January 24, at 6:30 pm.

## **Tata & Howard Applying Finishing Touches**

*MRV Water District Commission/Water Protection Supply  
Advisory Committee*

**By Mick Colageo**

Jon Gregory of Tata & Howard updated the Mattapoisett River Valley Water Protection Supply Advisory Committee and Water District Commission in its respective meetings on the engineering firm's annual report, then fielded questions and comments.

Even though their memberships overlap nearly 90 percent, the purviews of the committee and the commission vary so Gregory addressed both in their respective sessions. Both bodies voted to accept the draft reports sent with pending matters needing address and report tweaks that came out of the meetings.

Marion Department of Public Works Director Nathaniel Munafo noticed that the report never announced the result of the study and recommendation regarding the planned filter upgrade for the MRV's water-treatment plant. Gregory thanked Munafo for the alert and said, based on the April 2021 result that he would confirm in the report that the Koch Puron MP filter was chosen by the district commission.

ECA Solar invoices were incomplete, the information needed being the amount of the electrical costs saved in 2021 via the company's program. ECA had billed only through September - October.

Henri Renauld, the director of the MRV's water-treatment plant, had been ill and was presumed unable to attend the meeting, but he joined partway through and contributed to the discussion in notifying Gregory that his office keeps a spreadsheet on invoices so that information can be totaled. Gregory suggested waiting until the end of next week and then finalizing the report.

Also pending was confirmation of the average daily processing of 1,870,000 gallons per day in 2021, down slightly from 1,880,000 in 2020.

Both the committee and later the commission voted their approval. Gregory said he would finalize the report and send it out as final in both MS Word and PDF formats.

Gregory also told the committee that there may

be a new issue with a level logger in Monitor Well 3D; he will troubleshoot the matter and find out if the equipment can be fixed in the field.

In February or March, Gregory plans to present Tata & Howard's quarterly update.

In her Treasurer's Report to the commission, Treasurer Wendy Graves reported \$80,990.43 in total paid invoices for December, highlighted by Univar at \$9,563, Tata & Howard at \$2,550, \$4,193 and \$2,090, and Woodward and Curran at \$4,190 and \$883.

Graves also pointed out that the debt schedule requires its next payment of \$45,155.48 due on January 15, with \$3,386.66 in fees. The commission voted to pay the bill.

MRV Chairman Vinnie Furtado reported new correspondence in a letter from CPA Robert Brown, whose firm is engaged in examining financial statements for Marion and Rochester. Brown requested information on total bonded debt outstanding for the MRV District.

In other news, Hub, MRV's insurance carrier, sent a \$1,065 check for overpayment of premium.

In his Treasurer's Report, Jeff Furtado reported that the committee paid out \$15,338.73 since July while bringing in \$73,619.64. The committee's ending balance on Jan. 1 was \$285,830.20. Tata & Howard was paid on invoices of \$1,840 and \$2,032.90.

The committee voted to authorize Vinnie Furtado to pay the Tata & Howard invoice of \$1,389.87, along with

\$251.72 to David Watling, \$50 to Blair Bailey and \$238 to Megan McCarthy for graphic design.

Before Renauld joined the commission meeting in progress, the committee, which meets before the commission and was in progress, voted to authorize Vinnie Furtado to sign in Renauld's absence.

The next meetings of the MRV Water District Commission and Water Protection Supply Committee are scheduled for Tuesday, February 8, at 3:30 pm and 4:00 pm.

## Vaccination Makes Difference for Doctors

*Marion Board of Health*

**By Mick Colageo**

In sizing up the current state of COVID-19, the two practicing physicians on the Marion Board of Health, Chairman Dr. Ed Hoffer and Dr. John Howard, agreed on January 6 that it makes sense to get vaccinated.

Hoffer estimated the current situation as "enormous growth in cases primarily due to the Omicron variant" with daily case counts in Massachusetts rising from 1,100 per day to 15,000 a day, the percent of tests positive rising from slightly under 2 percent to 22 percent. "At the same time, Omicron seems to be significantly less dangerous than previous variants in terms of people getting ill."

"My own feeling is we ought to encourage but not mandate mask usage," said Hoffer, recommending

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the posting of signs on a business's front door strongly suggesting a mask but stopping short of mandating them.

Member Dot Brown noted that businesses can require a mask to enter, and Hoffer concurred, recalling the days of signs such as "no shoes, no shirt, no service."

Brown, however, believes the state will get back to a mask mandate for businesses. "I think the state will eventually get there. I'm willing to wait for the state to do it," she said.

Dr. John Howard agreed with Hoffer that the rate of serious cases is very low among the vaccinated. Hoffer said that the unvaccinated are roughly nine times as likely to be hospitalized in the intensive-care unit. While positive case counts are up 12-fold, said Hoffer, deaths are

up approximately three-fold, and hospitalizations from three- to four-fold. "People who are not vaccinated still get sick and die. They made their bed and can lie in it, to be perfectly blunt."

Public Health Nurse Lori Desmarais said those who are vaccinated tend to exhibit none to mild symptoms, while a few of those she has seen who are not vaccinated have been hospitalized.

Desmarais reported a total case count of 717 in Marion, 114 of which are active for a positivity rate of 6.74 percent. There were 45 cases in November and 165 in December. As of January 6, there were 55 so far in the New Year. The age groups dominating the positive testing results are ages 16-19, 30-49 and 50-64.

In reporting on COVID-19 in Marion schools, Desmarais told the board that Sippican Elementary has five personnel (students or staff) in its Test and Stay program, 12 in quarantine, 15 positive tests in isolation and a total 80 cases since the start of the school year.

At the junior high, 3 were in Test and Stay, 8 in quarantine, 20 positive tests in isolation and a total 46 cases since the start of school. At the high school, 3 were in Test and Stay, 9 in quarantine, 53 positive tests in isolation and a total 140 since school started. Tabor Academy students tested prior to their return to campus and on January 6 conducted full testing on campus.

Marion has hosted five booster clinics so far at the Cushing Community Center and followed up with homebound visits; the town has administered 350 booster shots.

Desmarais spoke to some infected people in their late 70s and early 80s, and all who are vaccinated reported mild symptoms and sought a test because of positive cases in their families. A positive is allowed to emerge from quarantine on Day 6, while wearing a mask when around others.

Health Agent Ana Wimmer told the board that her husband tested positive, and as a close contact her ability to perform her duties has been limited.

In reporting on the situation at 514 Front Street, Wimmer said the tenant called into the town last week about rats in the basement. Rodents, she said, are the



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occupant's responsibility, not the manager's, unless the tenant can prove that the rodent is the result of a breach in the building. The tenant found a few holes and patched them, according to Wimmer.

Former Marion Health Agent Dave Flaherty said he would check up on the house. Pest control and a contractor have found defects in the basement of the house, and the tenant has a lawyer, according to Wimmer.

Where it concerns the mold in the house, the Marion Board of Health cannot mandate anything, according to Wimmer. She said lawyers are now involved but that the town is working on updating the housing code.

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was not scheduled at adjournment.

### ABC Planning to Sell Trash Company

*Rochester Board of Health*

**By Mick Colageo**

Trash company ABC Disposal Service, Inc. notified the Rochester Board of Health during the latter's January 5 meeting that it has filed an application with the state Department of Environmental Protection and the Board of Health to increase the capacity of its facility.

ABC seeks approval of a modification from a maximum daily cap of 890 to 1,500 tonnage over its 61.15 acres at 4850 Cranberry Highway, but accompanying that

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request was news that the company's owners plan to sell. "We want to build the company up, you can't build the company up if you can't get rid of the trash," said ABC, Inc. vice president and CEO Michael Camara. "So we decided to sell the company."

Camara reported that, as of last week, 20 percent of the company's staff was out with Covid-19.

ABC, Inc. said it has also notified Wareham and Middleboro boards of health of the request as required because the site sits within a half-mile of those towns.

The next step in the process of the application for expansion is a three-week window for public comment, a DEP site-suitability report. Once that result is positive, then within 30 days the matter goes up to the Rochester Board of Health for a public hearing. A hearing officer (umpire) will participate, and after the Board of Health determines yes or no, then any conditions will be assigned to a positive decision at the prescribed site.

A fee structure will be established to reimburse the Board of Health.

Souza said he spoke with members of the Rochester Fire Department and received a positive reaction. He expects permitting to go through. "It's a tough industry to keep clean, somebody's always going to complain about something," he said. "I drive up there every once in a while and I never come out with a flat tire, but that's all you ever hear."

Rochester Health Director Karen Walega asked Camara about rain issues and the recent fire at the facility. Camara explained that a pile of trash that grew to a height exceeding the building's lights ignited after a light bulb broke. He credited Eddie Costello with digging down to the bottom to extinguish the fire. Total Quality Logistics (TQL) helped move the trash.

"I don't think we can stop the storage outside," said Camara, who said trash is being kept at least 10 feet away from the building.

ABC's glass-recycling system has also been affected because of the shutdown of another company in the processing chain. Camara said that the DEP let ABC store its glass out back. The company wanted to recycle it but now must pay to get rid of it.

Glass is typically recycled into sandblasting material. Camara estimates that the enormous amount of glass will all be taken away from ABC's site over the next six to eight months.

Board of Health Chairman Dave Souza told the ABC representatives in attendance that he was glad to hear a professional approach was being taken to the problem, especially considering the request for an increase in maximum tonnage allowed at the site.

Camara told the board that ABC, as of last week, had 17 drivers out and that he and other company leaders have joined the driving ranks. "Having them see you out there driving is good for morale," said Camara. "Fortunately, our mechanics can drive, the general manager can drive, I can drive."

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The board ratified the recent Select Board vote in favor of the mask mandate implemented at the Senior Center at the request of the Council on Aging. The COA has since shut down until January 18 due to the rise in Covid-19 cases, per the Select Board's vote on January 3.

"They're the ones that made the (mask-mandate) decision in the beginning, and that should be their decision all the way through," said Souza. "I don't like the decision. We're aware of the decision."

Board member Glenn Lawrence voted against the ratification, but member Sarah Tisdale Eby voted in favor so the board officially ratified the Select Board's approval of the mask mandate at the COA by a 2-1 margin.

The Board of Health announced a total FY23 budget of \$84,727, up from \$83,004 in FY22.

Walega reported progress at 514 Front Street, where two cars have been removed and the family is working on removal of the boat at the site. The local boy scouts have volunteered to participate in the cleanup.

According to Walega, a grant from Massachusetts Health Association could lead to the town purchasing Covid-19 test kits from the state for residents' use.

In her report to the board, Public Health Nurse Connie Dolan said that, as of January 5, Rochester had 170 active Covid-19 cases, a decrease from close to 200 only two days prior. Of the 170 active cases, 90 people infected had been at least partially vaccinated. Dolan said many had had only one dose or two doses but not the booster

shot.

To date, Rochester has had 1,081 official Covid-19 cases, but Dolan qualified that those statistics do not take into account rapid home tests. For statistical purposes, antigen (rapid) tests are not official cases. Official cases are always PCR test. "I've been getting a lot of calls, it's time to do a little information push," said Dolan.

Where it concerns Covid-19 testing, antigen tests are "great for surveillance," said Dolan, but the state says a positive antigen test should follow up with a PCR test.

"An awful lot of cases now are partially if not fully vaccinated so I think it's time to do a lot of communication on the difference between the tests," said Dolan, indicated that all the guidance is on the town's Facebook page and website.

"Connie's right on the money. We need to get the information out there. It's still 10 days (isolation for a positive test), just five if you're full (vaccination) and masked," said Tisdale Eby, who was attending the meeting remotely because her son had tested positive.

Dolan said that the infectious period for tracking begins the two days before the onset of symptoms (highest bio load) so those two days and the next two days are the most contagious.

Dolan reported that Police Chief Robert Small asked for boosters for officers, citing close-contact issues. Dolan credited Mattapoisett Public Health Nurse Emily Field for the small handful of boosters that fulfilled the



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The next meeting of the Rochester Board of Health was not scheduled at adjournment.

### **MOSAC Discusses Grants, Surveys**

*Marion Open Space Acquisition Commission*

**By Marilou Newell**

The January 6 meeting of the Marion Open Space Acquisition Commission found three members discussing the merits of surveys, the need for updated data and the grant funding required to conduct surveys and tabulate the data.

But first Chairman John Rockwell updated

members Deb Ewing and Amanda Chace on proposed plans for what he termed the "Point Road Path" – aka bike path. He said that in meetings with local contractors at the site near Joanne Drive and Jenna Drive stakes were placed to mark out clearing that would be necessary.

Rockwell said there are four major hurdles in clearing the area. Those are: not being too close to active public roadways, not being too far from the planned path, staying away from adjoining private property and avoiding as much tree removal as possible.

"We sometimes couldn't do all that," said Rockwell, noting that present plans call for one day of contracted clearing, then a reassessment to determine if more time is needed to complete the task. He said the staking project was slow going with evaluation taking place approximately every 50 feet, "It was a struggle to fit in the path." He confirmed that although he preferred not to, "Some trees will have to come down." Rhododendrons planted by the Tree Committee years ago will for the most part be spared, he noted.

Rockwell asked the committee members for assistance with grant applications to the Massachusetts Trail Grant with a February 2 deadline for submittal and for a Town of Marion Community Preservation Act Grant with a February 7 deadline. He said of the MTG that they would be seeking between \$20,000 and \$50,000. No monetary value was placed on a grant sought from the CPA.

Of tree removal, Rockwell said that per-tree costs are as high as \$1,800 which includes stump grinding. Regarding the CPA grant, those monies would be used for conducting a forestry plan on a 100- acre parcel near Joanne Drive. He has asked for cost estimates for such a plan while explaining that it is important to know "what is there" before conducting any work in the area.

Rockwell shared that in 1994 MOSAC worked with the Massachusetts Bays National Estuary Partnership that produced a survey. The survey of residents in Marion was to ascertain what they deemed the most important aspects of open-space-related issues. He said the overriding sentiment of the community at that time was clean water. "It's been more than 28 years

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since we asked folks what they think," Rockwell pointed out. He said that a survey should be conducted by a professional company.

Surveys were discussed further with Rockwell stating that effective surveys do not gather data from 100 percent of the people but more like 50 percent. He also said he believes surveys are more productive in securing data than public open sessions. He felt that open meetings aided in securing a broad spectrum of ideas versus more-targeted responses that would come out of surveying.

"People come to Marion, in part, because of open space and a clean harbor," Rockwell commented, adding, "I want to know what people are thinking. I'd like to listen and get feedback."

Concluding his comments Rockwell said, "We get good media coverage but not good public feedback."

The next meeting of MOSAC was not scheduled at adjournment.

### DPW Sewer Requests Reach \$1,501,000

*Marion Capital Improvements Planning Committee*

**By Mick Colageo**

Department of Public Works Director Nathaniel Munafo completed his list of capital requests, laying out the needs of Marion's Sewer Division before the Capital Improvements Planning Committee on January 5.

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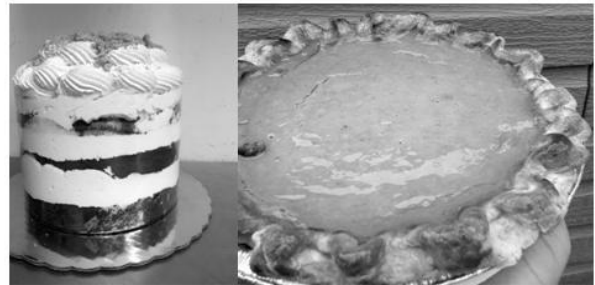


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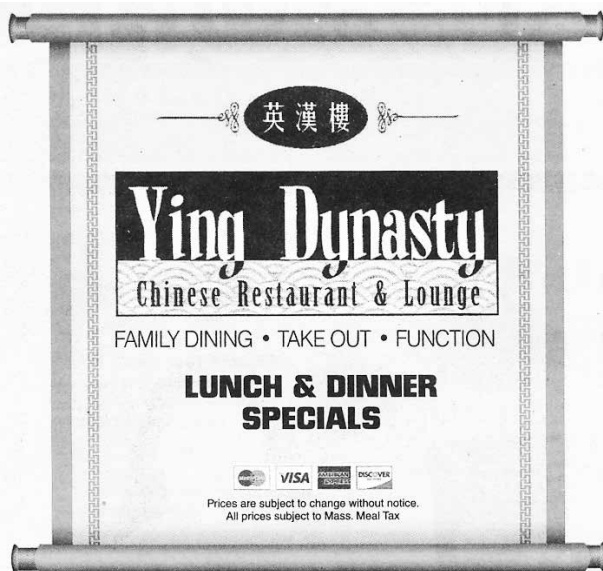
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Munafo's FY23 Sewer Division capital requests total \$1,501,000, \$1,000,000 of which is taken up by his first two requests for the \$750,000 FY23 grant match for the replacement of the Creek Road Station and the \$250,000 request for FY23 force-main design for the Front Street Station.

Creek Road is Marion's second largest sewer station and services homes on gravity sewer and hundreds of other homes via pumps. Approximately half of the town's sewer users rely in some manner on Creek Road. Munafo calls it the "highest priority" because the station is "extremely close to the water and at risk in a coastal event."

The station was designed in the late 1960s and installed in 1970.

Even without a flood event, said Munafo, Creek Road Station is highly likely to leak, and there have already been instances where water rains down on controls and equipment multiple levels deep.

The town has received a Coastal Zone Management (CZM) grant and is ready to build. DPW engineer Meghan Davis and office manager Becky Tilden have been working toward the hopeful procurement of a BRIC grant, and a MEMA and FEMA grant would allow 75 percent of the \$3,000,000 project to be funded. Marion is required to post a \$750,000 (25 percent) match. The

remainder of the necessary funding would have to come from other sources.

CIPA Chairman Paul Naiman asked about borrowing to fund the project. Munafo said the project is presently in the state revolving funds queue for this year but that borrowing has not been ruled out. Representative William Straus is looking into alternative funding sources. The federal government will now allow the usage of ARPA funds to match other federal grants.

"(ARPA) is a new grant ... they're making up these rules as they go," said Munafo.

CIPC member Steve Nojeim asked if, in the case of no grant approval, can the project be spread over multiple years? "Yes, but it's a quick project, shouldn't take more than nine months to get it done," answered Munafo.

According to Select Board member John Waterman, developer Ken Steen has agreed to pay 10 percent of the net cost for sewer infrastructure. "But his project is not moving very fast," said Waterman, noting that developer Matt Zuker's project that was rejected at Town Meeting may see a new application. "Then we'll be looking to him to chip in."

Richard Giberti asked about the plan and referenced Hurricane Carol in 1954. Waterman said that CDM Smith did a resiliency report on coastal vulnerability, noting that five other pumping stations go through Creek Road Station. Munafo said that a 50-year storm (11.5 foot surge) would require total reconstruction of the station.

The other \$501,000 in Sewer Division requests is divided up between an inflow-infiltration (I/I) removal program (\$200,000,) F350 4x4 truck (\$75,000,) Silvershell Station assessment (\$50,000,) high-flow management plan (\$40,000,) bio-filter media replacement (\$40,000,) generator replacement (\$36,000,) SCADA (WPCF computer system,) replacement (\$35,000) and force main evaluations (\$25,000.)

Naiman expected the CIPC membership to turn in its comprehensive priorities of all departments' capital requests by Wednesday (January 12) with a plan to meet on Wednesday, January 19 and hope to have a letter ready



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to deliver to the Select Board on January 26.

The deadline for the town report is February 4. Then there will be a meeting with the Select Board in early February for the CIPC to present its findings.

In answer to CIPC member Bill Marvel's question as to how Munafo's requests fit Marion's comprehensive wastewater management plan, Waterman said that nothing in the requests this year is inconsistent with the CWMP.

While acknowledging the importance of new sewer ratepayers to the town's economy, Naiman noted that there is a cost to the town as well.

Waterman said the town cannot afford \$28,000,000 for a 10-year sewer-improvement plan. When Lagoon No. 1 is lined and completed, the debt will be up 50 percent to \$29,000,000, he said, and anything borrowed will drive up rates. Thus, the need for grants, ARPA funding, etc.

Steen, whose 120-unit, affordable-housing project will be located off Route 6 near the Wareham town line, will write Marion a check for \$1,000,000 for I/I removal, and Waterman hopes that Zuker's adjacent Route 6 project will revive and generate \$50,000 for an infrastructure study.

Noting that developer Sherman Briggs was going to pay Marion \$280,000, Waterman said that the biggest issue is the Wastewater Treatment Plant which is maxed out at 588,000 gallons per day. Reducing I/I, he said, is the best way to gain new capacity.

In the February meeting of the Water / Sewer Commissioner (Select Board,) public comment will be invited.

## Lockheed Martin Holds House Key

*Marion Affordable Housing Trust*  
**By Mick Colageo**

According to Marion Affordable Housing Trust member Nancy McFadden, the focus group recently held by the Barrett Planning Group for Housing Community Engagement Services lacked focus for lack of a meeting leader.

McFadden and fellow AHT member Norm Hills nonetheless worked with AHT Chairperson Terri Santos,

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who could not attend the focus group, to identify key points from a conversation meant to influence Marion's Housing Production Plan.

The January 11 AHT agenda called for the trust to discuss its goals and vision, and right now the future of Lockheed Martin's property adjacent to the Cushing Community Center is at the forefront of speculation.

Hills and McFadden estimated that approximately 10 people attended the focus group that met with Judy Barrett and went over ideas about Lockheed Martin.

Santos said feedback from the Planning Board, of which Hills is also a member, indicates that Lockheed Martin is to be kept more light industrial and business in purpose rather than housing.

Zoning is obviously a question, as Hills explained. Part of the Lockheed Martin property is zoned for light industry and part residential. "There's no mixed use in Marion," he said.

Hills pointed out that the front half of the property is developed and the back half is not developed, leaving the town with a two-part question as to whether someone will be willing to take over the front half of the property and what can Marion do with the back half. "We're waiting for them to come back to us with options," he said.

While there is obvious interest in finding Marion's senior population with alternatives to houses they can no longer afford or take care of, Hills said that the industrial

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park at Lockheed Martin may be so old that it might be worth demolishing and starting over. "Nobody's beating down the doors trying to come in and put an industrial capability in there. Most of the people that work there don't live in Marion," he said.

Santos reiterated that "people need places to live" and solicited suggestions, while noting a rumored benefactor's interest.

Hills said the Open Space Acquisition Commission should become involved.

"Somebody said they could buy it, but again, we don't know what's going to happen with it. By the same token, we don't know what Lockheed Martin's doing either," said Hills. "The end of October is getting close for them, a lot of stuff they have to move out of there."

In discussing general goals for the AHT, Santos told the members that the trust has been asked to report to the Select Board.

"The (Housing Production Plan) is going to be the answer to what's going on," said Hills, who also serves as chairman of the Marion Select Board. "It's going to take Town Counsel to help us figure it out."

What many in town are looking for is housing for people with moderate and fixed incomes so the focus has been on proposed, mixed-used, village-style developments.

Another entity that has been involved is the Southeastern Regional Planning and Economic

Development District (SRPEDD). Marion was supposed to deliver information to SRPEDD in December but was granted a contract extension to June.

Strategies that emerged from the focus group included the pursuit of top-priority zoning amendments, evaluation of methods to incentivize senior development, negotiation of perpetual deed restrictions, and coordination of training and education for AHT membership and residents.

Santos wrapped up the meeting by asking the membership to think of goals that would contribute to a five-year plan for the town.

In the reorganization of the trust, former chair Casey Cole-Vieira was named vice chair, and Cynthia Thomas was named clerk. Tangi Thomas had been clerk but relinquished the role.

The next meeting of the Marion Affordable Housing Trust is scheduled for Tuesday, February 8, at 6:00 pm.

## **Holiday Breaks Come under Scrutiny**

*Mattapoissett School Committee*

**By Mick Colageo**

Mattapoissett School Committee members Carly Lavin and Tiffini Reedy pushed back on the proposed inclusion of Wednesday, November 23, as part of the Thanksgiving Day break when the 2022-23 draft school calendar was discussed during Monday night's committee meeting.

"I think it's just a little choppy ... might be a fan of being at least a half-day on the 23rd," said Lavin, adding that most public-school districts on the south coast attend a full day of school on the Wednesday before Thanksgiving. "I prefer to see less extra days throughout the year so kids can get home (for summer vacation)."

The Mattapoissett School Committee, said Old Rochester Regional District Superintendent Mike Nelson, does not vote on the academic calendar, the Joint School Committee does. But Nelson added that such dialogue is an essential ingredient to the process of arriving at the final calendar and that he would report that feedback when the JSC meets on Monday, January 20.

Also proposed is early dismissal on December 22 for Christmas break. Students would return on Monday, January 2, 2023.

August 30 would be the first day of the 2022 - 23 academic year and barring cancellations, June 16, 2023 would be the last.

Other off-days include but are not limited to: October 10 Indigenous People's Day aka Columbus Day; October 25 parent conferences; November 10 full professional development day; April 7 no school; and April 20 - 24 spring vacation.

Reedy questioned why April 7 is a day off as a "Catholic" holiday but there are no other religious holidays on the school calendar. Nelson said he would

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bring that concern to the JSC.

Member Karin Barrows asked if should school extend three days beyond the prescribed calendar, Juneteenth would be an off-day held on June 19. Nelson said, yes, provided it falls into the actual school calendar.

Lavin also asked if the state Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) is counting hours or days toward the establishment of a full academic year. Nelson said the state authority now considers both days and instructional hours.

The subject of limitations reached the school committee itself when Committee Chairman Jim Muse received pushback after telling the membership that he would like to adopt a goal for all regular school committee meetings to be limited to 90 minutes and subcommittee meetings to 60.

"I don't think it's appropriate to put a limit. ... I don't support that cap," said Lavin, who indicated that targeting 90 minutes is a reasonable approach.

Clarifying his request, Muse said discussions aiming toward a committee vote should not limit debate, but questions about presentations can be addressed as follow-up opportunities. "Meetings that last two, three and four hours, are not fair," said Muse, who insists on maintaining a 20-minute block for public comment. He sought no vote on the matter, only a show of support to engage in a policy.

"I understand sometimes there are lengthy

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presentations, but the number of meetings that are necessary, it demands that we give some opportunity to the administration to manage this," said Muse, noting that members can further the cause by planning their comments and reading the agenda and minutes in advance of meetings.

Barrows suggested labeling the agenda, noting which items will require votes. Lavin and member Carole Clifford supported Barrows' point. "If we do that, we don't need a limit. ... To put a limit, I do not agree with," said Clifford.

Muse reiterated his clarification that, "If there's something that requires debate, then we'll debate as necessary. But I would like to plan to complete our work

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In her Principal's Report, Rose Bowman celebrated a grant involving Lisa Lourenco, a technology teacher in both the Center and Old Hammondtown schools. A \$6,000 grant from Worcester Polytechnic Institute was procured thanks to the suggestion of WPI alumna and Mattapoissett School Committee member Frances Kearns. Lourenco helped write the grant.

The grant will include robotic equipment and four professional-development days with the team from WPI. It will provide children with the opportunity to receive additional education and materials. Lourenco, who has also been working with Old Colony Regional Vocational-Technical High School to bring such opportunities to ORR students, drove to Worcester to get the materials. "Teachers and administrators go the extra mile to make this a great school system," said Muse.

Bowman also discussed the Mattapoissett PTA and Cultural Council's plans for a presentation with artist Bren Bataclan, who will visit classrooms in grades K-3 at Center School on Friday, January 21. Half of Bataclan's fees will be covered by a grant from the Cultural Council.

Nelson indicated that several Budget Subcommittee meetings have occurred, resulting in substantial progress with the FY23 draft budget. The next step, he told the school committee, is inviting a member of the Mattapoissett Finance Committee and Town Administrator Mike Lourenco. Once Muse determines that the subcommittee is ready to bring the budget to the school committee, the latter will approve a budget figure and bring that to Town Meeting.

Director of Student Services Craig Davidson reported on the tiered, focused monitoring audit update that Nelson called "a cumbersome process," crediting Davidson for his work. "I couldn't ask for a better team," said Davidson, thanking special educator Jennifer Rusinoski for "outstanding" work with Julie Evans at DESE. "We did not have a single problem with the audit (no findings) ... and we're very proud of that."

In his Central Office Administrator's Report, Nelson announced that the state mandate on mask wearing in public schools has been extended through February 28. Acknowledging the Covid surge, he said, "I'm very proud that our school continues to offer in-

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Assistant Superintendent of Finance and Operations Howie Barber was unable to attend on Monday, but Nelson told the membership that Barber had sent them expenditures, along with facilities and food service reports. He said that there is \$540,000 remaining in the budget to begin January 2022.

In her report, Assistant Superintendent of Teaching and Learning Jannell Pearson-Campbell told the committee that Loretta Laroche will present to the faculty on stress management on Tuesday, January 18, as part of professional development.

In his report, Davidson said that through Mattapoisett’s test and stay program with school nurses, 1,277 school days have been saved.

A 10-part series on community talks has been launched on ORR’s themes of social-emotional learning, 21st century learning and global citizenship. Part 1 on managing anxiety was held on January 5, and Part 2 will be advertised in the coming weeks. “We could not believe how many people signed up,” said Nelson. “The first event, over 100 registered and over 60 stayed the whole session (90 minutes.)”

Muse summed up his Chairperson’s Report by thanking all staff, teachers and administrators, recognizing Bowman, the superintendent of Mattapoisett public elementary schools. “We’re very lucky,” he said.

The committee entered executive session and only



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3:00 PM Recovery Recreation TV  
3:30 PM Armchair QB

4:00 PM Paltracast  
4:30 PM Southcoast Matters TV  
5:00 PM Southcoast Matters TV  
5:30 PM Hollywood Movie Maker  
6:00 PM Tri-Town TV  
6:30 PM Governor Baker COVID-19 Updates  
6:57 PM Rochester COA - Senior Scams  
7:30 PM In the Toy Box  
8:00 PM Mattapoissett Fire Station Grand Opening  
8:30 PM The Non-Profit World  
9:00 PM Paltracast  
9:30 PM Reeling: The Movie Review Show  
10:00 PM Gay USA  
11:00 PM Democracy Now!

**Saturday January 15, 2022**

6:00 AM Saturday Morning Cartoon Festival  
9:00 AM Health Source  
9:30 AM Recovery Fitness  
10:00 AM The Curious Giraffe Show  
10:30 AM Conversations on Mental Health  
11:00 AM Wellness Wednesday  
11:30 AM Science 360  
12:00 PM Tri-Town TV  
12:30 PM The Jeannine Hunt Experience  
1:00 PM Sidewalks Entertainment  
1:30 PM Southcoast Matters  
2:00 PM Garden Therapy  
2:40 PM Hollywood Costume Designer Ruth E. Carter  
3:30 PM Inspiring Careers  
4:00 PM Paltracast  
4:30 PM Libraries in the Modern Day  
5:12 PM Car Enthusiast with Richard Cutler  
5:30 PM For Art's Sake  
6:00 PM Tri-Town TV  
6:30 PM Tri-County Symphony Orchestra Brass Quartet  
7:30 PM Off the Shelf - Books on Tour  
8:00 PM City Hall Insider  
8:30 PM Money Matters TV  
9:00 PM Registers Report  
9:30 PM Two Tones with George Lopes  
10:00 PM 4 Deep Sports  
11:00 PM Democracy Now!

**Sunday January 16, 2022**

6:00 AM Health Source  
6:30 AM The Art of Tai Chi  
7:30 AM The Art of Being Human

8:00 AM Mattapoissett Congregational Church  
9:00 AM First Congregational Church of Rochester  
10:00 AM St. Gabriel's Episcopal Church of Marion  
11:00 AM Conversations in Mental Health  
11:30 AM Southcoast Matters TV  
12:00 PM Tri-Town TV  
12:30 PM Cooking Healthy with Coastline  
1:00 PM Sidewalks Entertainment  
1:30 PM Sippican Historical Society Oral History - Peter McDonald  
2:30 PM ORRHS Powderpuff Game  
4:00 PM Paltracast  
4:30 PM Fur, Fins, and Feathers  
5:00 PM The World Fusion Show  
5:30 PM In the Toy Box  
6:00 PM Tri-Town TV  
6:30 PM Alzheimer's Risks with Jennifer Hoadley  
7:01 PM This is America & The World  
7:30 PM Beacon Hill Report  
8:02 PM Reel Smaht  
8:30 PM Pete on the Street  
9:00 PM Fan to Fan  
9:30 PM Books and the World  
10:00 PM Ghost Chronicles  
11:00 PM Democracy Now!

**Monday January 17, 2022**

7:00 AM Seniorize  
7:30 AM Seniors on the Move  
8:00 AM Health Expert  
8:30 AM You and Your Health  
9:00 AM Schvitz'n with Norm  
10:00 AM The Curious Giraffe Show  
10:30 AM Glass Studio on Cape Cod  
11:00 AM Lucy's World of Painting  
11:30 AM Learning Music with Pat  
12:00 PM Tri-Town TV  
12:30 PM Cooking Healthy with Coastline  
1:00 PM Sidewalks Entertainment  
1:30 PM Music Monday's with Houston Bernard  
2:00 PM Southcoast Matters TV  
2:30 PM Southcoast Matters TV  
3:00 PM The Collective Chat  
3:30 PM Arts Alive  
4:00 PM Paltracast  
4:30 PM Mattapoissett Library - Rare Books  
5:30 PM Recovery Recreation TV  
6:00 PM Tri-Town TV  
6:30 PM Fur, Fins, and Feathers  
7:00 PM The Friends of Jack

Foundation  
7:30 PM Beyond My Crisis  
8:00 PM Pete on the Street  
8:30 PM Reeling Movie Review  
9:00 PM 4 Deep Sports Talk  
10:00 PM Gay USA  
11:00 PM Democracy Now!

**Tuesday January 18, 2022**

7:00 AM Seniorize  
7:30 AM Seniors on the Move  
8:00 AM You and Your Health  
8:30 AM Health Expert  
9:07 AM Wellness Wednesday  
9:30 AM Tae Kwon Do  
10:00 AM The Curious Giraffe Show  
10:30 AM Mike Paige Doodle Club  
11:00 AM The Friends of Jack  
Foundation  
11:30 AM Cape Conversations  
12:00 PM Tri-Town TV  
12:30 PM Cooking Healthy with Coastline  
1:00 PM Sidewalks Entertainment  
1:38 PM Garden Therapy Teas and Oils  
2:07 PM The Non-Profit World  
2:30 PM Garden Talk with Teresa  
3:11 PM Car Enthusiasts with Richard Cutler  
3:30 PM Life's Happy Stories  
4:00 PM Paltracast  
4:30 PM Reel Smaht  
5:00 PM The Friends of Jack  
Foundation  
5:35 PM Off the Shelf  
6:00 PM Tri-Town TV  
6:30 PM The World Fusion Show  
7:00 PM The Friends of Jack  
Foundation  
7:30 PM Beyond my Cri  
8:30 PM Two Tones with George Lopes  
9:00 PM Hollywood Movie Maker  
10:00 PM Gay USA  
11:00 PM Democracy Now!

**Wednesday January 19, 2022**

7:00 AM Seniorize  
7:30 AM On the Move  
8:30 AM Health Source  
9:00 AM Two Grannies on the Road  
9:30 AM Tae Kwon Do  
10:00 AM The Curious Giraffe Show  
10:30 AM Conversations in Mental Health  
11:00 AM Mattapoissett Congregational Church  
12:00 PM Tri-Town TV  
12:30 PM What's Linda Cooking?  
1:00 PM Sidewalks Entertainment

1:30 PM Southcoast Matters TV  
2:00 PM Southcoast Matters TV  
2:30 PM Wellness Wednesdays  
3:00 PM Governor Baker COVID-19 Update  
3:35 PM Music Monday's with Houston Bernard  
4:00 PM Paltracast  
4:30 PM ORRHS Powderpuff Game  
6:00 PM Tri-Town TV  
6:30 PM The World Fusion Show  
7:00 PM Recovery Recreation TV  
7:30 PM Registers Report  
8:03 PM Marion Natural History Museum - Seaweed  
9:00 PM 4 Deep Sports Talk  
10:00 PM Ghost Chronicles  
11:00 PM Democracy Now!

**MARION GOVERNMENT**

**Comcast Channel 95**

**Verizon Channel 39**

**Daily Schedule**

6:30 AM Marion Board of Selectmen  
7:35 AM Marion Planning Board  
9:00 AM Marion Conservation Commission  
10:00 AM Marion Zoning Board of Appeals  
11:30 AM Marion Open Space Acquisition Committee  
12:00 PM Marion Finance Committee  
1:00 PM Marion Board of Health  
1:30 PM Marion School Committee  
2:30 PM ORR School Committee  
5:00 PM Marion Affordable Housing Trust  
5:30 PM Marion Marine Resource Commission  
6:00 PM Marion Pathway Committee  
8:30 PM Marion Conservation Commission  
9:30 PM Marion Zoning Board of Appeals  
11:00 PM Marion Open Space Committee

**ROCHESTER GOVERNMENT**

**Comcast Channel 95**

**Verizon Channel 40**

**Daily Schedule**

7:00 AM Rochester Board of Selectmen  
7:30 AM Rochester Conservation Commission

8:00 AM Rochester Planning Board  
10:00 AM Rochester Zoning Board of Appeals  
11:00 AM Rochester School Committee  
1:00 PM ORR School Committee  
3:30 PM Rochester Board of Selectmen  
4:00 PM Rochester Conservation Commission  
4:30 PM Rochester Planning Board  
6:30 PM Rochester Zoning Board of Appeals  
7:30 PM Rochester School Committee

**EDUCATION CHANNEL**

**Comcast Channel 97**

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**Daily Schedule**

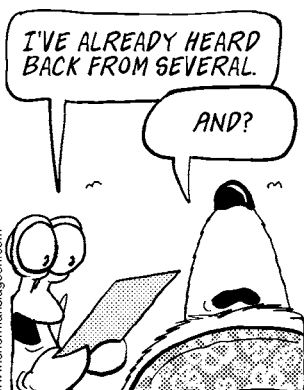
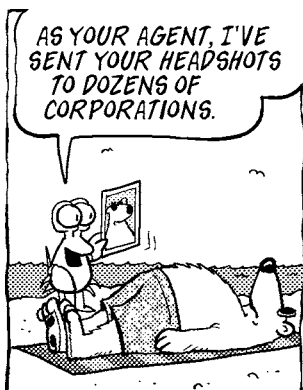
7:00 AM Bulldog Weekly  
7:30 AM Center School 3rd Grade Caroling  
7:41 AM Virtual Vocabulary Day 2020  
8:00 AM Sippican School Play - What Happened After Once Upon a Time  
10:00 AM Sippican Talent Show  
11:30 AM Sippican 4th Grade Band  
12:00 PM Bulldog Weekly  
12:30 PM FORM Choral Concert  
1:30 PM Tri-County Symphonic Band  
3:00 PM Marion Concert Band  
4:30 PM ORR Boys Basketball vs Westwood  
6:00 PM ORR Girls Soccer vs GNBVT  
8:00 PM Bulldog Weekly  
8:30 PM ORR Music Education  
9:30 PM Old Colony Graduation 2021  
10:30 PM Old Colony National Honor Society  
11:00 PM ORR Boys Basketball vs Somerset-Berkley

**MATTAPOISETT GOVERNMENT**

**Comcast Channel 95**

**Verizon Channel 38**

**SHERMAN'S LAGOON**  
by J.P. Toomey



returned to adjourn.

The next meeting of the Mattapoisett School Committee is scheduled for Monday, February 28.

## ORR Track Wins without Fans

*Sports Roundup*

**By Matthew Curry**

The Old Rochester Regional High School track teams kicked off the New Year with dominant wins over Apponequet on January 5 at Greater New Bedford Voc-Tech. While this was the third dual-meet of the indoor season for the Bulldogs, it was their first without any spectators allowed. The Janiak Field House at GNBVT has begun prohibiting spectators due to the rise in COVID-19 cases.

ORR's boys won 62.5-23.5, taking first place in all running events. Leo Schiappa won the 55-meter dash and 300-meter run. Tyler Trudeau won the 55 hurdles, Colby Gross won the 600, John Kassabian won the 1,000, Murray Copps won the mile, and Torsten Brickley won the 2 mile. The 4x400-relay team of Gross, Kassabian, Teddy Carroll and Sam Balsis also won.

ORR's girls' team was even more dominant, picking up a 74-12 victory. Jen Williams led the Bulldogs, taking first place in the 55 hurdles, the 55 dash and high jump. Other winners included Alexia Gonsalves in the mile and 2 mile, Gabby Pinhacos in the 600, Maddie Connor in the 1,000, Audrey Thomas in the 300, and the 4x400-relay team of Pinhacos, Maria Psychopaidas, Liz Feeney and Jill LeBlanc.

The Bulldogs faced GNBVT on Wednesday and will cap off their dual-meet season on Wednesday, January 19, against rival Dighton-Rehoboth.

### Boys Basketball

After a loss to Fairhaven on January 4, the Bulldogs were able to snap their three-game skid on January 9 with a 51-49 win against Dighton-Rehoboth. **Liam Geraghty** scored 17 points, with 10 coming in the second half. **Sawyer Fox** and **Steven Morrell** contributed 10 points and 9 points, respectively. Their next game comes on Friday, January 14, at 6:30 pm at Seekonk.



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# MOVIE REVIEW

## Year in Movies: 2021

By Rob Gonsalves  
[www.robsmovievault.com](http://www.robsmovievault.com)

It was almost a cliché. The second year of the pandemic mutilated box-office expectations in the expected ways: blockbuster after blockbuster did “okay for a pandemic” business, or performed surprisingly well under the circumstances but still nowhere near what it might’ve done in less complicated times for public gatherings, or just flat-out sank. And then, just in time for Christmas, Spider-Man swung into view and saved the holiday season for theaters. As of this past weekend, *Spider-Man: No Way Home* had Hoovered \$668 million domestically (worldwide it has made over a billion, the first American studio film to do so since this whole rotten mess started).

What does that mean? In terms of recent trends, it means about the same as it would have meant pre-COVID. Spider-Man is and will always be popular. Marvel movies ruled the roost the same way they have since 2008. After taking 2020 off, Marvel returned in force with hot streaming series on Disney+ (*WandaVision*, *The Falcon and the Winter Soldier*) and movies that had been postponed (*Black Widow*, *Shang-Chi*, *Eternals*). There might have been bouts of cold sweat in the Marvel/Disney corporate offices when *Black Widow* — released day and date on Disney+ and in theaters — made \$183 million domestic against a \$200 million budget. (It did bank \$375 million worldwide, but I wouldn’t look for *Black Widow 2* any time soon.) Offering fans a choice between streaming and theatrical was a mistake Marvel did not repeat with *Shang-Chi*, which was allowed a month or so in theaters before coming to home screens, and *Eternals*, which hit plexes in November but only debuted on Disney+ this past week.

In 2021, the only film in the top ten domestic box-office champs not based on a previous property was *Free Guy* — which was still a Disney/Fox film with a budget in the nine digits. After that, you have to look down to *Encanto* — an animated Disney musical — at #15 for another original property. The first film on the list for grown-ups and not a sequel or part of a franchise was *House of Gucci* at #25 with \$50 million domestic. There will be a tenth *Fast & Furious* film, there will eventually be another Bond film, there will be more *Ghostbusters* and *A Quiet Place*, and god knows there will be more Marvel (three of them this year). What these dismal figures (and



even more dismal data as regards non-franchise, adult-oriented cinema) mean is that the pandemic merely put a fresh coat of paint on a process that has been cooking for the entirety of this century. If *X-Men* had tanked in 2000 and the original *Spider-Man* had keeled over in 2002, we’d be looking at a different landscape, though some other form of youth-targeted entertainment would probably have stepped in where superhero films faltered.

But let’s stop talking about money, shall we? I don’t feel ready to put together a ten-best list, but I did enjoy several films enough to mention them here. I keep forgetting *Judas and the Black Messiah* was technically a 2021 film, even though it was eligible to be honored at last April’s belated Oscar ceremony. I seemed to like the nonfiction category most: *Summer of Soul*, *Roadrunner*, *Val*, *Introducing Selma Blair*, *Bad Attitude*, and *Kurt Vonnegut: Unstuck in Time* were fine portraits of people and places. *Nightmare Alley* and *The Matrix Resurrections* were better than I expected. The film of the year for me might be Paul Schrader’s *The Card Counter*, a near-thriller about a loner tormented by his country’s dark recent past and his role in it.

Other year-end award-chasers (*Licorice Pizza*, *West Side Story*, *Drive My Car*, *Don’t Look Up*) will have to wait for me to get around to them on home video. And if they impress me enough I’ll cover them here — if the last two years have proved anything, it’s that a movie doesn’t cease to exist just because it’s no longer playing at the mall or never got there in the first place. In a weird way, the current situation has democratized film in a way nothing else could have. People stuck at home need things to watch, and something like Roy Andersson’s *About Endlessness* — technically a 2019 Swedish release that didn’t hit American streamers until this past spring, and one of my favorite movies I saw in 2021 — is there waiting to be found (on Hulu, or rentable for \$4 or \$5 from a variety of outlets) along with thousands of others. All you have to do is look beyond the multiplex, and it’s never been easier.

### Girls Basketball

The Lady Bulldogs returned home on January 9 when they defeated Dighton-Rehoboth, 54-32. **Maddie Wright** led with 17 points, while **Tess Adams** scored 12 points and **Logan Fernandes** scored 10. They host Seekonk on Friday, January 14, at 6:30 pm.

### Hockey

ORR's girls' hockey team got back on track over the weekend, starting on January 8 when the Bulldogs defeated Stoughton, 8-2, at Canton Ice House. Ryann Tripp scored the winning goal. They'll look to build off the win on Saturday, January 15, at 3:00 pm when they visit Martha's Vineyard. The boys played on January 9, defeating Bourne 4-3 at the Gallo Ice Arena. They faced Somerset-Berkley on Wednesday and will play against Dartmouth at the Dunkin Donuts Center in Providence on Friday, January 14 (faceoff TBD.)

### News Submission Policy

The Wanderer gladly accepts any and all news and press release items from local nonprofit organizations for publication on a weekly basis. The deadline for submission of news items is Monday at noon for publication in that week's edition. Due to the increasing number of submissions, however, publication of press material is never guaranteed. The Wanderer will make every effort to publish timely news items and announcements as the subject warrants and as often as spacing allows. All press material must be submitted by email to [news@wanderer.com](mailto:news@wanderer.com) and must be either in a text or Word file. We are not able to retype, correct or hunt down information to repair incomplete press releases, and we are not able to retype or reformat posters or bulleted lists that are not in readable paragraph form. We cannot accept any handwritten material or news items via telephone, no matter how brief.

Photographs of area events and newsmakers are also

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All submitted copy is subject to alterations and/or condensation as space allows at the editor's discretion. All submissions become the property of The Wanderer and are assumed to be submitted for the purpose of publication. Submissions cannot be returned; therefore, please make sure to retain copies.

Ideas for features, breaking news tips and other suggestions for the news department are welcome. Please call the News Editor with news tips and ideas at 508-758-9055. If it is after hours, please leave a message or email [news@wanderer.com](mailto:news@wanderer.com).

### Letters to the Editor

*The views expressed in the "Letters to the Editor" column are not necessarily those of The Wanderer, its staff or advertisers. The Wanderer will gladly accept any and all correspondence relating to timely and pertinent issues in the great Marion, Mattapoisett and Rochester area, provided they include the author's name, address and phone number for verification. We cannot publish anonymous, unsigned or unconfirmed submissions. The Wanderer reserves the right to edit, condense and otherwise alter submissions for purposes of clarity and/or spacing considerations. The Wanderer may choose to not run letters that thank businesses, and The Wanderer has the right to edit letters to omit business names. The Wanderer also reserves the right to deny publication of any submitted correspondence.*

To the Editor;

January 21, 2022 marks 12 years since the Supreme Court's Citizens United v. FEC decision gave constitutional rights to artificial entities, such as corporations.

Citizens United, the PAC, was founded in 1988 by Floyd Brown, a longtime Washington political consultant,

## OBITUARIES



**Elaine M. (Augustus) Vandament**, 84, of Mattapoisett died January 3, 2022 unexpectedly at home.

She was the wife of the late Richard W. Vandament.

Born in New Bedford, daughter of the late Antone and Beatrice (Correia) Augustus, she was raised in Marion and lived in Virginia before returning to Marion and Mattapoisett.

She was the proprietor of Elaine's House of Designs for over 30 years, manufacturing specialty lamps and gifts that were sold world-wide through wholesale distribution. After retirement, she enjoyed spending time at her home in Mattapoisett, Cedar Rock Farm, with her family and animals. You could always find Elaine sitting on her favorite barstool at The Mattapoisett Diner with her partner, George "Porgie" Randall or feeding the seagulls at Neds Point Lighthouse while listen-

ing to Kenny Rogers.

Survivors include her 2 daughters, Sharen Fitzgerald and her husband Robert of Richmond, VA and Veronica Brockwell and her husband Christopher of Mattapoisett; a son, Scott Vandament and his wife Jennifer of Murrells Inlet, SC; her companion, George Randall of Mattapoisett; a granddaughter, Alexandra Fitzgerald; 2 great-grandsons, Joseph and Benjamin.

Her visiting hours were held on Sunday, January 9th in the Saunders-Dwyer Mattapoisett Home for Funerals, 50 County Rd., Mattapoisett. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the Veterans Transition House, 1297 Purchase St. New Bedford, MA 02740. For online condolence book, please visit [www.saundersdwyer.com](http://www.saundersdwyer.com).

*If you have a notice you would like to have included in the Obituaries section, please contact our office at: 508 758-9055, or by email at [office@wanderer.com](mailto:office@wanderer.com).*

# TRI-TOWN POLICE LOGS



## MARION

### Log highlights Jan 2-Jan 8

- Wareham Rd – Health/welfare
- Wareham Rd – General offense
- Mill St – EMS/medical
- Spring St – EMS/medical
- Village Dr – EMS/medical
- Point Rd – General offense
- Briggs Ln – General service
- Mill St – MV collision
- County Rd – Abandoned property
- Doran Way – EMS/medical
- Mill St – MV collision
- Point Rd – Animal complaint
- Pleasant St - Fraud
- Cedar Ln – Health/welfare
- Front St – EMS/medical
- Whynot Ct – Abandoned property
- Front St – Suspicious MV
- Front St – Animal complaint
- Cottage St – EMS/medical
- Mill St – Larceny/past
- Front St – Follow up investigation
- Route 195 East – Animal complaint
- Front St – Follow up investigation
- Cottage St – Suspicious activity
- Wareham Rd – Smoke investigation
- Front St – Suspicious MV
- Washburn Park Rd – MV complaint
- Converse Rd – Assist other department
- Converse Rd – Follow up

## MATTAPOISETT

### Log highlights Jan 2-Jan 8

- Aucoot Rd – Suspicious MV
- Hawthorne St – Animal control
- Fairhaven Rd – MV violations
- Randall Ln – Unattended death
- Marion Rd – 911 call
- North St – Animal control
- Depot St - Vandalism
- I195 West – Animal control
- Mendell Rd – MV lockout
- Main St – MV crash
- Aucoot Rd – General service
- County Rd – MV crash
- Brookside Dr – Domestic disturbance
- Uncas Way – Ambulance request
- Baptist St – General service
- North St – MV violations
- Park St – Health/welfare
- Driscoll Ln – Medical assist
- Park St – Health/welfare
- Acushnet Rd – MV crash
- County Rd – Ambulance request
- County Rd – Suspicious MV
- Prospect Rd – Suspicious persons
- North St – Ambulance request
- Ocean View Ave – Animal control
- County Rd – Larceny/forgery/fraud
- Marina Dr – Suspicious MV
- Fairhaven Rd – MV lockout
- County Rd – MV violations

## ROCHESTER

### Log highlights Jan 2-Jan 8

- Cranberry Hwy – Suspicious activity
- Snipatuit Rd – Transport/escort
- Snipatuit Rd – Follow up/arrest
- Snipatuit Rd – Well being check
- Negus Way – Suspicious activity
- New Bedford Rd - Medical
- North Ave – MV collision
- Comstock Pl - Medical
- Rounsville Rd - Medical
- Hiller Rd – 911 call
- Snipatuit Rd – MV stop/citation
- Marion Rd – MV stop/citation
- Dexter Ln – General services
- Cranberry Hwy – MV stop/arrest
- North Ave – Assist other agency
- Hathaway Pond Cir – Noise complaint
- Walnut Plain Rd – Noise complaint
- Marys Pond Rd – Suspicious activity
- Cranberry Hwy – MV collision
- Hartley Rd – Suspicious activity
- Hiller Rd - Medical
- Forbes Rd – 911 call
- County Rd – MV collision
- Hartley Rd – MV collision
- Mendell Rd – Civil complaint
- Haskell Ridge Rd – Parking complaint
- North Ave - Medical
- Marion Rd – Inside investigation
- Marys Pond Rd – MV collision

For a full PDF of the three towns' police logs from the past week, including arrest reports, visit [www.Wanderer.com](http://www.Wanderer.com).



## REGIONAL LUNCH MENUS

### COASTLINE ELDERLY NUTRITION PROGRAM

**Monday, Jan 17:** MLK Day – No meals served

**Tuesday, Jan 18:** "Catch of the Day", Florentine sauce, whipped sweet potato, chickpea blend vegetable, honey wheat bread, Mandarin oranges

**Wednesday, Jan 19:** Chicken Cantonese, pineapple rice, multigrain roll, chocolate pudding, diet: low-sugar pudding

**Thursday, Jan 20:** Meatloaf w/ onion gravy, cheesy mashed potato, glazed carrots, potato bread, mixed fruit

**Friday, Jan 21:** Crustless chicken pot pie, oven browned potatoes, biscuit, flavored applesauce

### CENTER SCHOOL

**Monday, Jan 17:** MLK Day – No school

**Tuesday, Jan 18:** No school

**Wednesday, Jan 19:** Whole grain French toast sticks, maple

syrup, potato puffs, cheese stick, crazy carrots

**Thursday, Jan 20:** Creamy mac & cheese, warm soft pretzel, mixed vegetables

**Friday, Jan 21:** Cheese pizza, garden salad, assorted salad dressing, chilled mixed fruit

### OLD HAMMONDTOWN

**Monday, Jan 17:** MLK Day – No school

**Tuesday, Jan 18:** No school

**Wednesday, Jan 19:** Whole grain French toast sticks, maple syrup, potato puffs, cheese stick, crazy carrots

**Thursday, Jan 20:** Creamy mac & cheese, warm soft pretzel, mixed vegetables

**Friday, Jan 21:** Cheese pizza, garden salad, assorted salad dressing, chilled mixed fruit

### OLD ROCHESTER REGIONAL JUNIOR & SENIOR HIGH

**Monday, Jan 17:** MLK Day – No school

**Tuesday, Jan 18:** No school

**Wednesday, Jan 19:** Whole grain French toast sticks, maple syrup, potato puffs, cheese stick, crazy carrots

**Thursday, Jan 20:** Creamy mac & cheese, warm soft pretzel, mixed vegetables

**Friday, Jan 21:** Cheese pizza, garden salad, assorted salad dressing, chilled mixed fruit

### ROCHESTER MEMORIAL

**Monday, Jan 17:** MLK Day – No school

**Tuesday, Jan 18:** No school

**Wednesday, Jan 19:** Whole grain French toast sticks, maple syrup, potato puffs, cheese stick, crazy carrots

**Thursday, Jan 20:** Creamy mac & cheese, warm soft pretzel, mixed vegetables

**Friday, Jan 21:** Cheese pizza, garden salad, assorted salad dressing, chilled mixed fruit

### SIPPICAN SCHOOL

**Monday, Jan 17:** MLK Day – No school

**Tuesday, Jan 18:** No school

**Wednesday, Jan 19:** Whole grain French toast sticks, maple syrup, potato puffs, cheese stick, crazy carrots

**Thursday, Jan 20:** Creamy mac & cheese, warm soft pretzel, mixed vegetables

**Friday, Jan 21:** Cheese pizza, garden salad, assorted salad dressing, chilled mixed fruit

### OLD COLONY REGIONAL

**Monday, Jan 17:** MLK Day – No school

**Tuesday, Jan 18:** Chicken nuggets, fries & bread

**Wednesday, Jan 19:** Chicken parmesan & spaghetti

**Thursday, Jan 20:** Hot dog & fries

**Friday, Jan 21:** Assorted pizza



with major funding from longtime industrialists the Koch brothers. The group promoted corporate interests, socially conservative causes and candidates who supported their main goals of limited government and freedom of enterprise. In 2009, it sued the Federal Election Commission (FEC) which resulted in eliminating some restrictions on how corporations can spend money in elections. The 2010 5 to 4 decision was based on two absurd notions:

- Artificial incorporated entities are entitled to the same Constitutional rights as real people, and
- Political spending is equivalent to free speech.

With our elections now awash in money, Congress passes laws that favor wealthy campaign contributors. And with their newfound Constitutional rights, large corporations use the courts to nullify democratically-enacted laws they find inconvenient.

Only a Constitutional amendment can overturn flawed Supreme Court decisions which, in this case, prevents political equality for real people, rich and poor alike. Fortunately, such an amendment proposal has already been introduced in Congress: the "We the People Amendment." (HJR.48.) Please encourage your elected Representative in Congress to continue supporting HJR.48 and your Senator to cosponsor HJR.48 once it gets to the Senate.

Jack W. Dean, Mattapoisett

### Academic Achievements

**Alexa Mcloed** of Marion, **Kennedy Serpa** of Marion and **Jacob Yeomans** of Marion have been named to the 2021 Fall Dean's List at the University of Connecticut.

To qualify for the Dean's List, students must have a semester grade point average of 3.50 or better and must have completed successfully all courses for which they were registered.

**Maxwell Brulport** of Rochester, **Jillian Craig** of Marion, **Kevin Ovia** of Rochester, **Aidan Ridings** of Mattapoisett and **Ainslee Rodrigues** of Mattapoisett have been named to the Fall 2021 Dean's List at Stonehill College. To qualify for the Dean's List, students must



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have a semester grade point average of 3.50 or better and must have completed successfully all courses for which they were registered.

**Ana Amaral Lavoie**, Undeclared major, has been named to the Dean's List for the fall 2021 semester at the University of Vermont. Amaral Lavoie from Marion is in the College of Arts and Sciences. To be named to the Dean's List, students must have a grade-point average of 3.0 or better and rank in the top 20 percent of their class in their respective college or school.

**Megan Iverson** of Marion and **Jason Gamache** of Mattapoisett graduated from the University of New Hampshire in December 2021. Students are only graduated after the Registrar's Office has certified that all



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degree requirements have been successfully completed. Participating in the commencement ceremony is the act of honoring and celebrating academic achievement.

Assumption University has announced **Mackenzie Drew** of Rochester, Class of 2022, and **Joseph Dumas** of Mattapoisett, Class of 2025 named to the Dean's List for the fall 2021 semester. Students named to the University's Dean's List must achieve a grade point average of 3.5 for a five-class, 15-credit semester to be included on the prestigious list, which is announced at the completion of the fall and spring semesters.

## Marion Art Center

Virtual Reception for Winter Members' Show - The Marion Art Center will host a virtual reception for its first show of the 2022 season, the Winter Members' Show. The in-person reception was postponed and rescheduled as a virtual event in light of the recent surge in regional COVID cases. Anyone is invited to attend the virtual event, scheduled on Friday, **January 14** from 5:00 - 6:00 pm via Zoom. Guests may register in advance to receive the Zoom link prior to the event at marionartcenter.org/events. During the reception, viewers will tour the galleries virtually, followed by a group discussion. Guests will have the opportunity to ask questions or speak to artists who attend the virtual event.

Guests can still visit the MAC galleries to view the exhibit in person. Regular gallery hours are Thurs - Sat 10 am - 2 pm, or visit other days and times by calling ahead during office hours, Tue - Fri, 10 am - 5 pm. Masks are required while visiting the Marion Art Center.

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Marion Art Center will offer a new one-day workshop, Visible Mending with Sashiko with Instructor Crickett Warner, on Saturday, **February 12** from 10:00 am - 1:00 pm. Join the renewed trend of repairing your clothing with beautiful traditional Japanese mending techniques and patterns. First recorded in Japan in the 16th century, peasants repaired worn-out clothing using scraps and layering to make material stronger. Local patterns identified people from different regions. Using thread and needles specifically made for Sashiko stitching, most students will complete one patch during the workshop, and some may finish up the last bits at home. Patterns and directions will be provided. Some denim jeans will be available to practice on, but it's best for students to

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## ACROSS

- 1 Exchanges for paper money  
7 Takes too much, briefly  
10 Gp. concerned with birdies  
13 Liquid detergent quantity  
19 Opere — (in the work already mentioned)  
20 International news agency  
22 Relaxed  
23 "First Blood" actor Richard  
24 Pilot Amelia  
25 Like magma  
26 Start of a riddle  
29 930-mile-long Russian river  
30 Politico Trent  
31 Raw rock  
32 Lakers' org.  
35 Riddle, part 2  
43 Styled like  
44 Heir, often  
45 Be a rambler  
46 "I smell —!"  
47 Defunct Russ. state  
48 Riddle, part 3  
55 Airline seat pull-down

- 57 Dir. from N.M. to Ky.  
58 "Play it by ear," e.g.  
59 Orem's state  
61 Google program for targeted promotions  
65 Brother of DDE's follower  
66 Big tub  
69 Riddle, part 4  
74 Facial blinker  
75 Caviar base  
76 Manors  
77 Oklahoma city  
78 Livid  
80 Actor Stephen  
81 Basketball toumey org.  
83 Riddle, part 5  
90 Turner of song  
93 Add to the work force  
94 Vientiane is its capital  
95 No. on a map  
96 Liquor choice  
97 End of the riddle  
105 Prefix with 17-Down  
106 Byrnes who was "Kookie"  
107 Wayward GI

- 108 Family mem.  
109 Riddle's answer  
117 Mitchell of NBC News  
120 Not yet encrypted  
121 Is entirely unacceptable  
122 Disclose  
123 List the particulars of  
124 Coop up  
125 Officers-to-be  
126 Tutu-wearing Muppet  
127 D.C. bigwig  
128 "— Fideles" (carol)

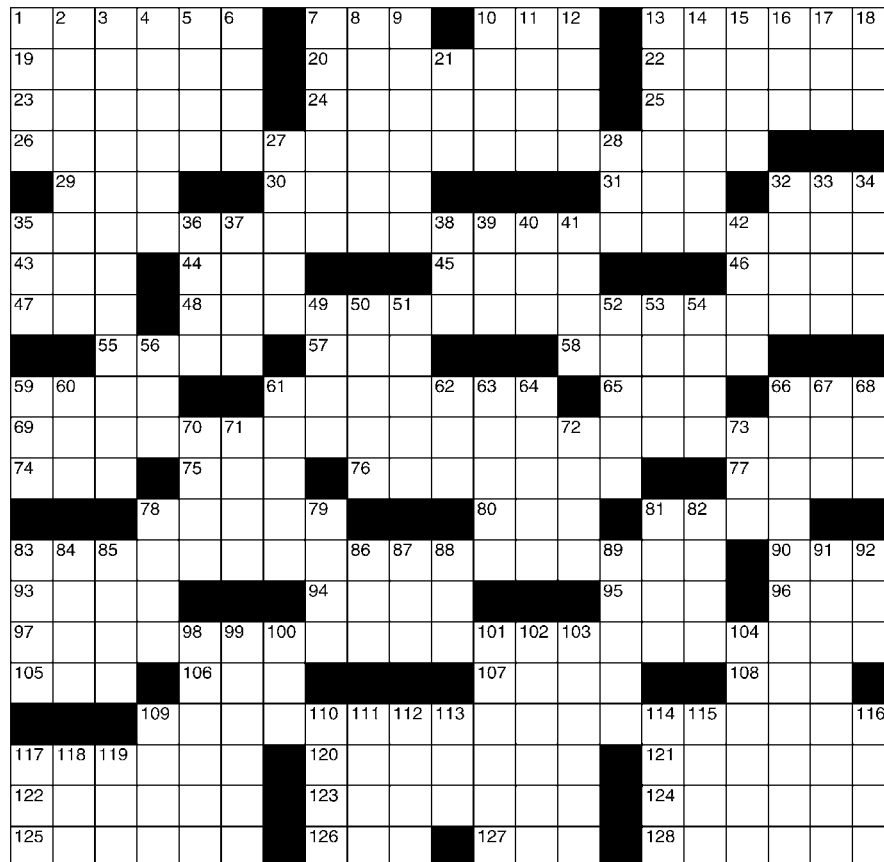
## DOWN

- 1 Roman 301  
2 Plane wings, e.g.  
3 Raw beef dish  
4 Disney's Montana  
5 Tall Sicilian volcano  
6 Fly high  
7 Chocolate cookie-flavored Post cereal  
8 Shortage  
9 Guarantee  
10 Bell's ring  
11 Mutt's noise  
12 Concerning

- 13 SLR, say  
14 Makes amends  
15 Animal hide  
16 Jack Sprat's no-no  
17 Function  
18 Writer Deighton  
21 Jennifer Lopez's "J to — L-O!"  
27 Dull  
28 Homer Simpson's outburst  
32 Cruel Roman emperor  
33 Male lover  
34 Echidnas eat them  
35 Once existed  
36 Totally lost  
37 Squarish, as a vehicle  
38 Four minus one, in Italy  
39 Gmail rival  
40 Trailing plant  
41 — Strauss  
42 Wizard of Oz creator  
49 Work over  
50 Happen next  
51 Comes upon  
52 "Luther" star Elba  
53 Repeated jazz phrase

- 54 Smoker's puff  
56 Pi-sigma link  
59 Sport- — (off-roader)  
60 Your, biblically  
61 "Billy, Don't Be —" (1974 hit song)  
62 Insect egg  
63 Beginning  
64 Lauder of makeup  
66 Seasoned, oily salad dressings  
67 French buddy  
68 Turner of TV  
70 Big coffee dispensers  
71 Vincent van —  
72 Incline  
73 Coffee alternative  
78 Suited to —  
79 Christmas  
81 Court barriers  
82 Flight staffers  
83 Punch sound  
84 Old LP player  
85 Crafts' partner  
86 Not stringent  
87 Lead-in to "And how!"  
88 Suffix with lobby  
89 High-pitched warble

- 91 Nailed the performance  
92 Opposite of 63-Down  
98 Nuke, as leftovers  
99 Standards  
100 NFL six-pointers  
101 Legendary Manhattan restaurant  
102 Pluck, as brows  
103 "Stalag 17" star William  
104 With 109-Down, part of a Florida orchard  
109 See 104-Down  
110 Mini-exam  
111 A law — itself  
112 Slush Puppie alternative  
113 CD- —  
114 Female youth org.  
115 Incite  
116 Subjective loudness unit  
117 Circle bit  
118 Org. concerned with the three R's  
119 Burnable storage device



# SALOME'S STARS

**ARIES** (March 21 to April 19) A hectic period begins to wind down. Take time to draw some deep breaths and relax before getting into your next project. A long-absent family member makes contact.

**TAURUS** (April 20 to May 20) You're eager to move forward with a new challenge that suddenly dropped in your lap. But you'd be wise to take this one step at a time to allow new developments to come through.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) You're almost ready to make a commitment. A lingering doubt or two, however, should be resolved before you move ahead. An associate could provide important answers.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22) Caution is still the watchword as you move closer toward a decision about a new situation. If you act too fast, you might miss some vital warning signs. Go slowly and stay alert.

**LEO** (July 23 to August 22) Your new goal looks promising, and your golden touch does much to enhance its prospects for success. In your private life, Cupid does his best to make your new relationship special.

**VIRGO** (August 23 to September 22) That impatient side of yours is looking to goad you into moving before you're ready to take that big step. Stay calm and cool. Let things fall into place before you act.

**LIBRA** (September 23 to October 22) A legal matter you hoped could finally be settled could be a pesky problem for a while, until all the parties agree to stop disagreeing with each other. Be patient.

**SCORPIO** (October 23 to November 21) Partnerships -- personal or professional -- which began before the new year take on new importance. They also reveal some previously hidden risks. So be warned.

**SAGITTARIUS** (November 22 to December 21) Your associates are firmly on your side, and that persistent problem that has caused you to delay some activities should soon be resolved to your satisfaction.

**CAPRICORN** (December 22 to January 19) Favorable changes continue to dominate, and you should be responding positively as they emerge. Someone wants to become more involved in what you're doing.

**AQUARIUS** (January 20 to February 18) A friend wants to share a secret that could answer some questions you've wondered about for a long time. Meanwhile, travel aspects continue to be strong.

**PISCES** (February 19 to March 20) Stay on your new course despite so-called well-meaning efforts to discourage you. Rely on your deep sense of self-awareness to guide you to do what's right for you.

**BORN THIS WEEK:** You have the capacity to meet challenges that others might find overwhelming, and turn them into successful ventures.

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bring their own (holes not required) so the masterpieces can be worn! The cost for the three-hour workshop is \$60 for MAC members and \$65 for nonmembers, plus a \$10 materials fee per student. Registration is open now online. More information including a list of provided materials can be found at [marionartcenter.org/adult-classes](http://marionartcenter.org/adult-classes).

### **Mattapoissett Woman's Club Offers Scholarships**

Mattapoissett Woman's Club is pleased to offer (2) \$2,000.00 scholarship awards to Mattapoissett residents who are high school seniors, graduating in June 2022.

In addition, there will be a \$1,000.00 scholarship granted to a Mattapoissett resident who is reentering the academic world after graduation and is in pursuit of a post secondary degree. Please go to the website (listed below) for further information and/or to obtain the application for this scholarship.

The Mattapoissett Woman's Club is a philanthropic organization with a history of awarding scholarships. The first scholarship award for \$5 was presented to a student at Center School in 1943. Five years later in 1948, the amount was increased to \$100. To date, more than \$100,000 in scholarships has been presented to local students. MWC plans and executes fund- raising events to help generate the revenue for these scholarships and other charitable donations. In offering these scholarships, the club supports educational leadership and the community through its fundraising efforts.

For High School seniors the scholarship application will be available in the guidance offices of Old Rochester Regional High School, Bishop Stang High School, Old Colony Vocational Technical High School, Tabor Academy, Bristol County Agricultural and online [info@mattapoissettwomansclub.org](mailto:info@mattapoissettwomansclub.org) for those not attending the above schools.

Final deadline for returning completed applications is March 31, 2022. No one will be considered after this date.

If you have any further questions, you may contact the Mattapoissett Woman's Club at P.O. Box 1444, Mattapoissett, MA 02739.

### **Happy New Year from Rochester Historical Society**

While we are taking a break from meetings for the winter, anyone who would like to view the current exhibit may visit by appointment (call 508-295-8908.) The exhibit will also be available in the spring. We will be resuming activities in April with our first meeting on **April 20** at 7:00. Look for more info in *The Wanderer* as the date approaches.

We'd like to take this opportunity to thank all those who have supported us through the past year. Stay well and we hope to see you in the spring.

### **From the Files of the Rochester Historical Society By Connie Eshbach**

At one time, my husband's favorite TV show was History Detectives. Viewers sent in questions and the show's cast, using the many resources of their network, searched out answers. In a previous article I asked the question, "What happened to Bonney Hill?" The hill, a great sledding spot, had been mentioned in an older poem. Without network resources, I relied on readers of our local media to help me find an answer.

The first response posed a possibility that the earth of the hill could have been taken by the state during one of the expansions of Logan Airport. Apparently,

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<p><b>TOWN OF MARION ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CASE #800</b></p> <p>The Marion Zoning Board of Appeals will hold an online public hearing at 6:30 pm on Thursday, January 20, 2022 on the application of Marion Village Estates, LLC, seeking what the Board had determined is a substantial change to a previously issued comprehensive permit to allow for a different water meter as otherwise required, pursuant to 760 CMR 56.00 et seq.</p> <p>The property, located at 36 Village Drive, is further identified on Assessors' Plan 24A as Lot 41. Cynthia Callow, Chairperson</p> <p><b>**Please contact Anne Marie Tobia at 508-748-3516 or atobia@marionma.gov for the Zoom link and for information on public participation via phone call. The phone number will be provided upon request. The meeting will be live streamed on ORCTV and participants can call in any questions or comments. 1/6, 1/13</b></p> <hr/> <p><b>TOWN OF MARION ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CASE #799</b></p> <p>The Marion Zoning Board of Appeals will hold an online public hearing at 6:35 pm on Thursday, January 27, 2022 on the application of George H. and Jean L. Linzee for a Special Permit under section 230-8.6 of the zoning by-law to allow the construction of an Accessory Apartment as allowed under sections 230-7.1, 230-7.2 and 230-7.3.</p> <p>The property, located at 460 Front Street, is further identified on Assessors' Plan 23 as Lot 41. Cynthia Callow, Chairperson</p> <p><b>**Please contact Anne Marie Tobia at 508-748-3516 or atobia@marionma.gov for the Zoom link and for information on public participation via phone call. The phone number will be provided upon request. The meeting will be live streamed on ORCTV and participants can call in any questions or comments. 1/6, 1/13</b></p> <hr/> <p><b>TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT CONSERVATION COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING</b></p> <p>The Mattapoisett Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Monday, January 24, 2022 at 6:30 pm in the Town Hall (in person and remotely via Zoom **) on a Notice of Intent submitted by Mark D. &amp; Jeanne M. Connon.</p> <p>The Applicants propose to construct a pile supported timber pier facility with a gangway, float and float anchor piles.</p> <p>The proposed work will be performed within a Coastal Beach, Land Under Ocean, Land Containing Shellfish and Land Subject to Coastal Storm Flowage, Flood Zones VE (El. 21).</p> <p>The property is located at 65 Mattapoisett Neck Road which is further identified as Lot #15 on Assessors Map #12.</p> <p><b>**Contact concomm@mattapoisett.net for the Zoom Meeting Information. 1/13</b></p> <hr/> <p><b>TOWN OF MARION CONSERVATION COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING</b></p> <p>The Marion Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, January 26, 2022 at 7:10 pm at the Marion Police Station</p>	<p>(via Zoom and closed to the public*), on a Request for Determination of Applicability, submitted by Eugene Allen, to convert part of the front lawn into a semicircular gravel driveway at 113 Front Street.</p> <p>The site is further identified as Lot 137 on Marion Assessors' Map 16. Plans are available at the Town House for review.</p> <p>Shaun P. Walsh, Chair</p> <p><b>*Please contact Terri Santos at 508-748-3517 or tsantos@marionma.gov the Zoom link and for information on public participation via phone call. The phone number will be provided upon request. The meeting will be live streamed on ORCTV and participants can call in any questions or comments. 1/13</b></p> <hr/> <p><b>TOWN OF MARION CONSERVATION COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING</b></p> <p>The Marion Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, January 26, 2022 at 7:20 pm at the Marion Police Station (via Zoom and closed to the public*), on a Notice of Intent, submitted by Michael Craffey, to repair an existing seawall and remove invasive phragmites at 522 Point Road.</p> <p>The site is further identified as Lot 39 on Marion Assessors' Map 6. Plans are available at the Town House for review.</p> <p>Shaun P. Walsh, Chair</p> <p><b>*Please contact Terri Santos at 508-748-3517 or tsantos@marionma.gov the Zoom link and for information on public participation via phone call. The phone number will be provided upon request. The meeting will be live streamed on ORCTV and participants can call in any questions or comments. 1/13</b></p> <hr/> <p><b>TOWN OF ROCHESTER ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING #1171</b></p> <p>Notice is hereby given that the Zoning Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on the petition of Bendrix Bailey for property located at 0 Gerrish Road, identified on Assessor's Map 43A, Lot 29B, who is seeking a Variance to the frontage requirement of 225 feet to allow the lot to be designated as a single home residential lot under Chapter 20.40, Section D.1. Lot Dimensions.</p> <p>The public hearing will be held on Thursday, January 27, 2022 at 7:00 pm as both a hybrid meeting at Town Hall, 1 Constitution Way in Rochester, MA and on Zoom.</p> <p>To join the Zoom Meeting: <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84584296551">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84584296551</a></p> <p>Meeting ID: 845 8429 6551</p> <p>One tap mobile: (646) 876-9923</p> <p>David Arancio, Chairman 1/13, 1/20</p> <hr/> <p><b>TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT CONSERVATION COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING</b></p> <p>The Mattapoisett Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Monday, January 24, 2022 at 6:30 pm in the Town Hall (in person and remotely via Zoom **) on the Request for A Determination of Applicability submitted by Donald Middleton, 2 West Silvershell Avenue, Mattapoisett, MA 02739. The proposed project is to fill in previously excavated area of residential lot using common fill with a finish of loam and seed to match the existing grade to the perimeter. The</p>	<p>project is located at 2 West Silvershell Avenue, and is further identified as Lot 141 on Assessor Map 5A</p> <p><b>**Contact concomm@mattapoisett.net for the Zoom Meeting Information. 1/13</b></p> <hr/> <p><b>DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION WATERWAYS REGULATION PROGRAM Notice of License Application Pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 91</b></p> <p>Waterways License Application Number W22-6084</p> <p>William E. Weber, Jr. &amp; Elizabeth Weber</p> <p><b>NOTIFICATION DATE: January 25, 2022</b></p> <p>Public notice is hereby given of the waterways application by William E. Weber, Jr. &amp; Elizabeth Weber to install and maintain two floats and anchor piles at 21 East Avenue in the municipality of Marion, in and over flowed tidelands of Planting Island Cove. The proposed project has been determined to be water-dependent.</p> <p>The Department will consider all written comments on this Waterways application received within 30 days subsequent to the "Notification Date". Failure of any aggrieved person or group of ten citizens or more, with at least five of the ten residents residing in the municipality(s) in which the license or permitted activity is located, to submit written comments to the Waterways Regulation Program by the Public Comments Deadline will result in the waiver of any right to an adjudicatory hearing in accordance with 310 CMR 9.13(4)(c).</p> <p>Additional information regarding this application may be obtained by contacting the Waterways Regulation Program at (508) 946-2873. Project plans and documents for this application are on file with the Waterways Regulation Program for public viewing, by appointment only, at the address below.</p> <p>Written comments must be addressed to: Carlos T.B. Fragata, Environmental Analyst, DEP Waterways Regulation Program, 20 Riverside Drive, Lakeville, MA 02347. 1/13</p> <hr/> <p><b>off the mark by Mark Parisi</b></p> <div data-bbox="1057 1362 1500 1892"> </div>



there was a period of time when the state was taking earth from Middleboro, Lakeville and perhaps Rochester. When earth is removed from a town, it is supposed to be paid a depletion allowance. In the time frame of Logan's expansion, Rochester was charging 5 cents a cubic yard, which is 27 cubic feet.

At this point, I realized in addition to not knowing what happened to Bonney Hill, I wasn't sure where it had been, especially since the name Bonney is associated with more than one area in town. I sent some emails to those I thought might have an answer and on Sue LaFleur's advice, I turned to the historical museum files. Sure enough, L.C. Humphrey pinpointed the site when he wrote about having a cabin with a few other boys. The cabin was located on Bonney Hill not far from



"the 1st District School and the Green." The District One School also known as the Town or Centre School was at that time located where Town Hall is today.

Further responses connected the demise of Bonney Hill not to Logan Airport but to the creation of Plumb Corner Mall. This area was once owned by the Hartley Sawmill with a portion belonging to Anna White. The Sawmill sold the land to Mrs. Bray who lived at one time at 7 Marion Rd. In the late 1980's, the Brays sold the land to Walter Garvey to build the mall. The earth and sand that had comprised the hill was hauled off at this time. That area is also part of the current construction of a condominium complex, which has further changed the landscape.

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I want to thank Joe, Bill, Henry, Sue and of course, L.C. for helping me solve my local history mystery. The picture shows how the center looked, probably in the days of L.C. Humphrey.

### Marion Community Preservation Committee

Applications for Community Preservation Act funding are now available in the Town Clerk's office at the Marion Town House located at 2 Spring Street. The Community Preservation Act is a Massachusetts Law that allows participating cities and towns to adopt a real estate tax surcharge supplemented by State matching funds in order to fund community preservation. Eligible projects must be directed towards: open space / recreation, historic

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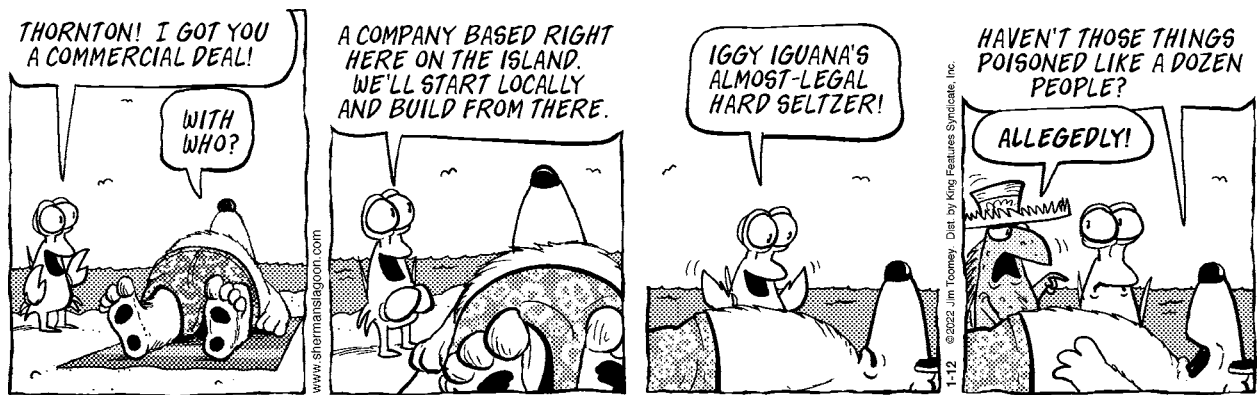
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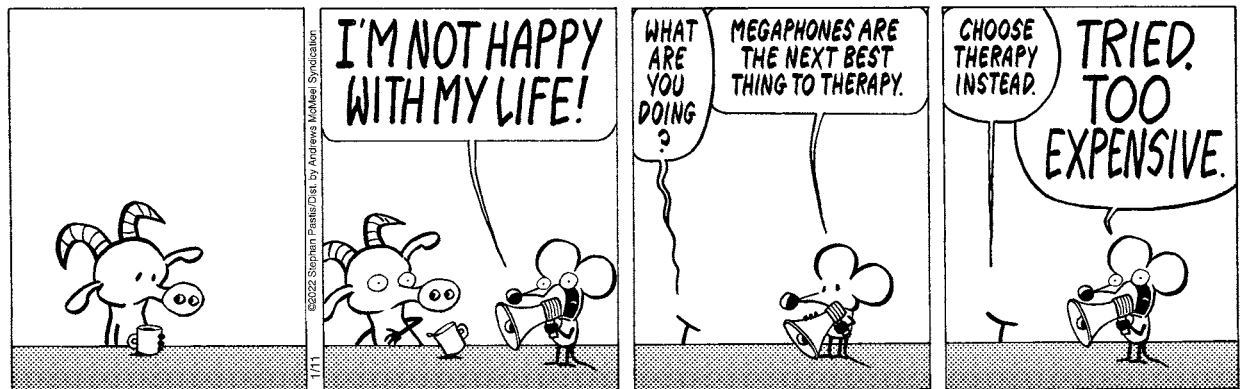
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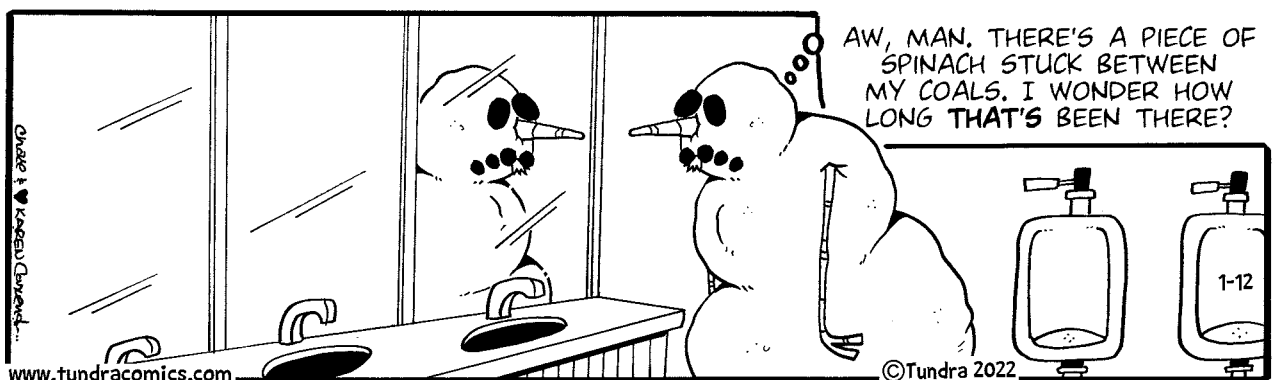
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preservation or community housing. Applications must be received no later than 4:00 pm on **February 4** to be considered for presentation at the May 2022 Annual Town Meeting.

Past Community Preservation funds have been used to:

- Design of an accessible boardwalk and viewing platform at Osprey Marsh.
- Secure nine affordable housing units having affordable housing deed restrictions for ninety-nine (99) years.
- Design and secure permits for Phase I of the Marion Pathway (bike path.)
- Protect Marion's drinking water supply through the purchase of lands and conservation interests in the Mattapoissett River Valley.
- Catalogue the Sippican Historical Society's archives and complete the town's architectural survey.
- Restore the Marion Town House
- Purchase and install inclusive playground equipment at the Sippican School.
- Purchase cast aluminum grave markers to be placed on veterans' graves at town cemeteries

### Art History Programs

The Mattapoissett Council on Aging will be hosting an engaging, educational, art observation experience designed to broaden the minds of its participants, artists and nonartists alike. Visit [artforyourmind.com](http://artforyourmind.com) for more information.

On Friday, **January 21** at 12:30 pm to 1:30 pm, the featured program will be Early American Colonial Painting, about a selection of simple, straightforward paintings by self-taught artists. Learn how to recognize their unique style in the context of this transitional time period in America's history. Local art historian Jill Sanford leads this experience of engaging, educational art observation. This free program will be in person at the Mattapoissett COA, 17 Barstow Street, Mattapoissett. To register, call 508-758-4110

On Wednesday, **February 2** from 12:30 pm to 1:30 pm, the featured topic will be Early American Art - Revolutionary Image, an opportunity to observe famous people, places and events of the Revolutionary War through the eyes of those who experienced it. From the Boston Massacre to the surrender at Yorktown—interpret images of America's turbulent start and increase your awareness of the many ways art can tell a story. Join local art historian Jill Sanford for an enjoyable hour of challenging yourself to see art in new ways. To register for this free in-person class, contact the Mattapoissett COA, 17 Barstow Street, Mattapoissett at 508-758-4110.

### The Catholic Church Wants Your Opinions

The Catholic Church worldwide is undertaking a "fact-finding mission" to the extent that has never

happened before. This project starts in Rome with the Pope and extends down right to St. Mary's in Fairhaven. The Catholic Church hierarchy is very interested in what Catholics around the world are thinking about their Church.

Participating Catholics, former Catholics and nonparticipating Catholics are all invited to a one-time meeting where your thoughts, opinions and questions will be heard and communicated.

The Vatican will address issues worldwide, but if you attend the session at St. Mary's in Fairhaven, this local parish will be able to take action immediately on positive ideas and suggestions.

Over the past years, the attendance at Catholic churches has been declining, and with the Pandemic, the attendance in many Churches has been cut in half. The Church scandals have had an effect, the Catholic population is aging, some Catholic churches have closed, and of course, the Pandemic have forced families to stay away from in-person masses for over a year. When people get in the habit of not going, it can be a challenge to get them to change their new habits.

On a positive note, although attendance at weekly Catholic Mass has declined, the registration at Catholic Private Schools has been growing over the recent years, especially during the Pandemic. In Fairhaven, New Bedford, Acushnet, Dartmouth and Fall River, there are 10 elementary schools and 2 Catholic high schools.

The Catholic Church also operates Catholic Charities and nursing homes. But the School System and the Charity work are different from the benefits parishioners get from weekly Mass and parish activity.

The main focus on this "fact-finding" process is to focus on the issue of weekly Mass attendance and local parish participation by the parishioners themselves.

The goal of the process is to make each parish in the U.S. and here in the south coast the best it can be for our current parishioners and to make the Church as welcoming as possible to any new parishioners. The time involved for you would be one meeting, a couple of hours. Your part is not an ongoing process.

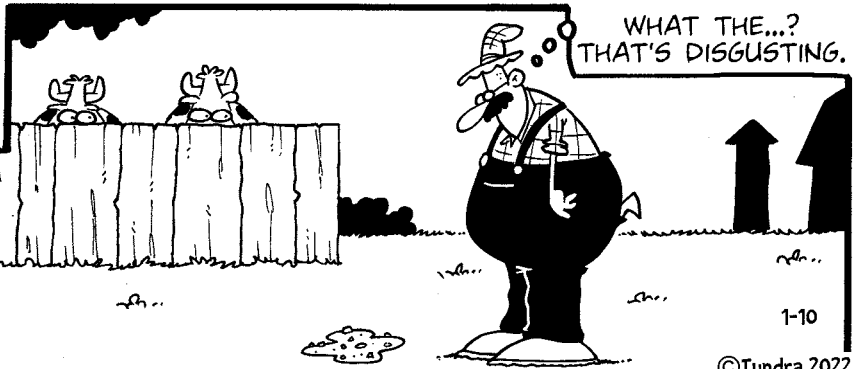
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finding" process is a Synod. This type of meeting for discussions and input is generally held at the senior levels of the Church hierarchy, but now for the first time, the process is being implemented at the local level.

It will be refreshing to hear firsthand what all Catholics, participating or not, are thinking about parish life in their Church. The discussions will be a judgment-free zone where all ideas are open for discussion.

It is important that everyone involved in the Church now, or those who are thinking about the Church, will have an avenue where their individual thoughts, ideas, feelings and impressions will be listened to and heard. This is a one-time meeting, a couple of hours, not an ongoing process.

And immediate changes or adjustments may be made at St. Mary's Fairhaven if there is consensus, and the suggestions are doable for the local Church.

To participate, please send your contact information to St. Mary's Fairhaven: [stmarysfairhaven@comcast.net](mailto:stmarysfairhaven@comcast.net), (508)992-7300 or text to (603)493-2512. Thank you for your consideration!

### **Mattapoisett Library Artist Series**

Mattapoisett Free Public Library 2021/2022 Artist Series: Ruth Fortier: Creative Explorations on **January 15 to February 14**. Local area resident Ruth A. Fortier was born and raised in the Berkshires and attended Berkshire Community College where she received an Associate's

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# TriTOWN HAPPENINGS



*This blue jay was spotted at Brandt Beach after the first snowstorm of 2022. Photo courtesy of Marcia Parker*



*A snowman built on the first school snow day of the 2021-22 academic year by Center School students Henry Kanaly, left, a first-grader, and William Kanaly, a third-grader. Photo by Chuck Kanaly*



*Tabor Academy sophomores Andrei Sarbu (yellow pants) and Joe Barry and friends enjoyed their Sunday afternoon, turning the little sledding slope on Spring Street at Tabor Academy's soccer field into a ski jump. The two 16-year-olds took turns sticking landings from atop roadway barriers. Barry is from Falls Church, Virginia, and Sarbu is a native of Chico, California. Photos by Mick Colageo*



*The Wanderer makes it to a penguin colony at the tip of South America in Tierra del Fuego. Photo courtesy of Gary and Sue Nichols*

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## MA Preservation Projects Fund Grant Cycle Announced

The Marion Historical Commission would like to share information with the Tri-Town communities about the next round of state Preservation Grants.



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The Massachusetts Historical Commission has just announced Round 28 of the Massachusetts Preservation Projects Fund grant program (MPPF.)

The MPPF is a state-funded 50% reimbursable matching grant program established in 1984 to support the preservation of properties, landscapes and sites listed in the State Register of Historic Places. Applicants must be a municipality or nonprofit organization.

Properties are listed in the State Register of Historic Places if they meet one of three criteria:

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More information and the application materials and video can be found at: [www.sec.state.ma.us/mhc/mhcmppf/mppfdx.htm](http://www.sec.state.ma.us/mhc/mhcmppf/mppfdx.htm).

Questions should be directed to MHC Grants Division staff at 617-727-8470.

### MFD Launching Reflective House Number Program

The Marion Fire Department and The Marion Fire Association is launching a program to provide homeowners in town with reflective address markers to ensure their home can be easily found by first responders in an emergency.

The address markers are designed to be highly visible during the daytime and nighttime and will have reflective material on both sides in order to be visible from both directions. They are also designed to be fade resistant.

The markers will have predrilled holes and can be mounted to mailbox posts or lawn stakes. Assistance will be provided for those that are unable to install or mount the markers themselves.

The markers will be free to Marion's senior homeowners age 55 and above thanks to a \$2,180 Massachusetts Department of Fire Services Senior SAFE grant that was awarded to the Marion Fire Department in February.

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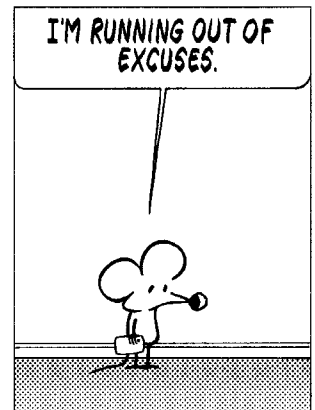
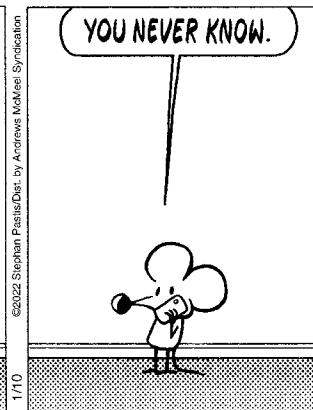
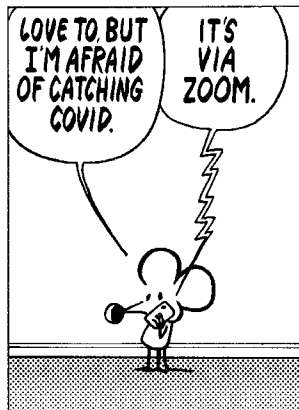
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Any questions about the program or submitting an order should be directed to [marionmafireassociation@gmail.com](mailto:marionmafireassociation@gmail.com) or 508-748-3596.

All residents are reminded of the importance of having large and clearly visible house numbers. Numbers should be facing the street, visible at night and not blocked by trees or bushes. Those with long driveways should have house numbers on both sides of a mailbox or sign pole at the end of their driveway near the roadway.

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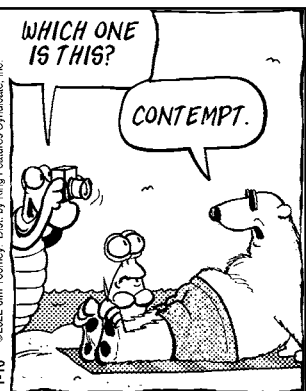
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## Rochester Historic Commission Historic Plaque Program

The Rochester Historical Commission is pleased to announce a voluntary Historic Structure plaque program to recognize the rich historic and architectural history of our town and the people who lived here. Hopefully, these plaques will enhance the appearance of our town's older properties and provide information about and pride in them. These plaques will help tell our shared history and stimulate an interest and appreciation of the diversity of architectural styles in our town. They will be a fitting way to recognize the historical and architectural heritage of Rochester.

A property will qualify if it can meet two of the following criteria:

**Age:** The structure is of an advanced age (usually built prior to 1970) and retains significant original character and design.

**Event:** Structures associated with an historic event of local, regional or national significance.

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**Style:** A structure with distinctive characteristics of architectural or construction type.

**Cultural Landscape/ Archeology:** A former structure that contributed to the understanding of our local history of record such as a farm or business.

Plaques will not restrict owners from making changes to their property. The plaques are decorative and informational only. The plaque is a medium-density overlay (MDO) waterproof signboard, finished with three coats of special sign painters' oil-based primer and a white enamel topcoat with black antique lettering. Holes are predrilled and include stainless steel screws for mounting.

The plaques are 12-inches high and 16-inches wide. RHC asks that plaques be attached to the front facade of the house and visible from the street, if possible.

Homeowners may ascertain information about their properties by consulting the following sources:

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Massachusetts Historical Commission database (<http://mhc-macris.net>) or historic maps on the RHC website. Owners will then complete application forms found on the RHC portion of the town website and send it to the Rochester Historical Commission, 1 Constitution Way, Rochester with a check for \$75.00 made out to Oulde Colony Artisans. The Rochester Historical Commission will review the applications at its scheduled monthly meeting. Any changes will be discussed with owners prior to submission to sign maker.

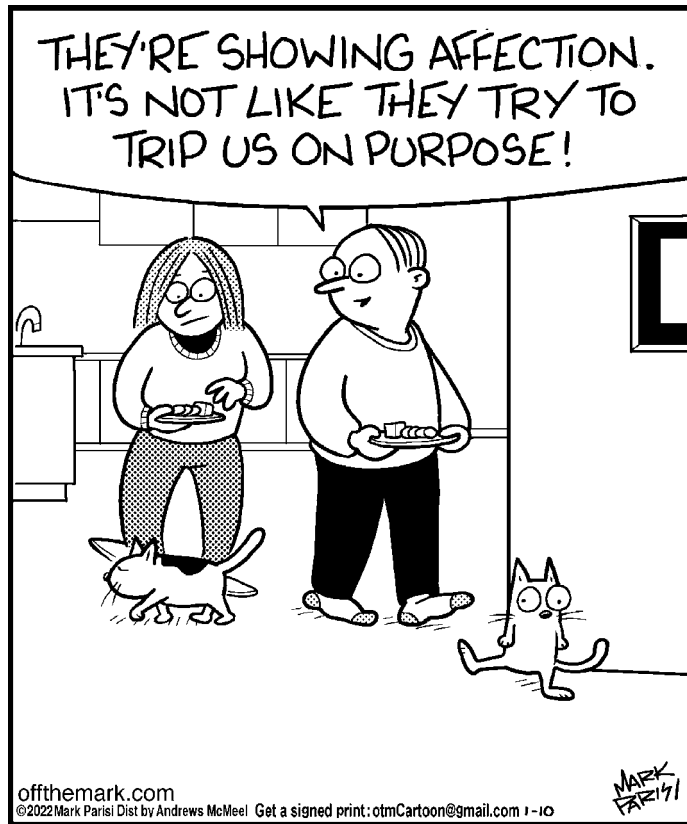
## Veteran Service Dog

Are you a Disabled Veteran who could benefit from a Service Dog? The Tri-Town Veterans Office has received a very generous offer from a local service dog breeder and trainer. They would like to donate a Great Dane service dog to a Disabled Veteran living in Rochester, Marion or Mattapoisett. This is a large breed dog that would be great for but not limited to someone who has balance issues and/or PTSD.

If you are interested or know someone who might be interested, please send a letter describing yourself and how you feel a service dog could benefit you. The goal is to match this puppy, born in early October, with his new owner and begin training before the New Year. This is a great opportunity, and I hope to hear from our local Veterans soon.

Please send all correspondence to: Veterans Service Office, PO Box 425, Mattapoisett MA 02739. Or contact Chris Gerrior Tri-Town Veteran's Agent, by phone or email, 508-758-4100 ext: 214. [vso@mattapoisett.net](mailto:vso@mattapoisett.net).

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Lange, Clifford A Lange, Cynthia T	Bay Club RE Holdings	High Ridge Dr Lot 38	Mattapoisett	12/22/2021	330,000.00
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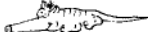
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## Local Tides

Day	Date	High		Low	
		a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.
Thursday	January 13	4:45	5:03	11:10	10:19
Friday	January 14	5:35	5:51	11:47	11:05
Saturday	January 15	6:17	6:32		12:01
Sunday	January 16	6:55	7:11	12:09	1:05
Monday	January 17	7:29	7:48	12:33	1:45
Tuesday	January 18	8:04	8:25	1:17	2:22
Wednesday	January 19	8:38	9:03	1:59	2:54
Thursday	January 20	9:15	9:44	2:39	3:23
Friday	January 21	9:55	10:26	3:17	3:51
Saturday	January 22	10:39	11:13	3:57	4:22
Sunday	January 23	11:27		4:40	4:59
Monday	January 24	12:02	12:19	5:31	5:45
Tuesday	January 25	12:54	1:15	6:36	6:41
Wednesday	January 26	1:50	2:15	7:59	7:47
Thursday	January 27	2:53	3:22	9:32	8:59
Friday	January 28	4:02	4:32	10:44	10:08
Saturday	January 29	5:08	5:35	11:43	11:10
Sunday	January 30	6:08	6:31		12:36

Phases	Full Moon	January 17th
of the	Last Quarter	January 25th
Moon	New Moon	February 1st
	First Quarter	February 8th

 **I Found the Aardvark!**

Each week, hidden somewhere in the pages of *The Wanderer* is a tiny drawing of an aardvark. The little guy you are looking for looks exactly like the one pictured above (but don't put down this page as your answer, there's another one hidden somewhere in this issue).

Once you find the aardvark you can submit your answer on line and if you are right you will get Aardvark Points! You can then use these points to get cool Aardvark Prizes!

To enter visit: [www.wanderer.com](http://www.wanderer.com) and Click on *I Found the Aardvark*

In the January 6, 2022 edition the Aardvark was on page 62!

## PUZZLE ANSWERS

### CROSSWORD SOLUTION

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## SCRAMBLERS

### solution

- Guard
- Amble;
- Power;
- Groan

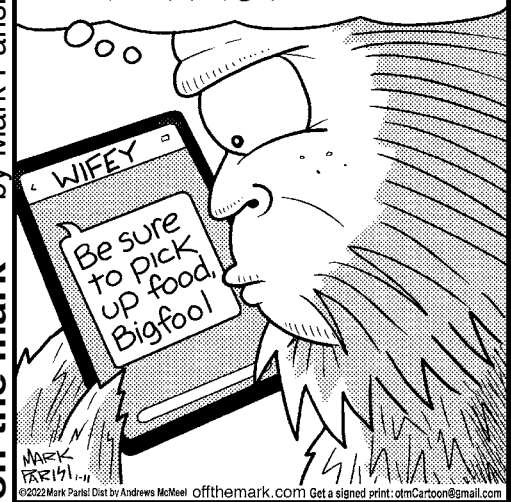
Today's Word  
**BORROW**

Sudoku Answer

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1	7	4	6	9	2	8	5	3
7	4	2	9	6	3	5	8	1
9	1	6	4	5	8	3	2	7
3	8	5	1	2	7	4	9	6
4	5	7	8	3	9	6	1	2
6	2	9	5	4	1	7	3	8
8	3	1	2	7	6	9	4	5

STARTING TO THINK THIS  
NOT AUTOCORRECT...

off the mark by Mark Parisi





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